



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-1985, **Agenda Item #:** 59.

6/20/2019

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract with National Power Rodding Corp, to provide Waller Creek Tunnel sediment and debris removal services, for up to six years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,935,000.

(Note: This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the services required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established. However, the recommended contractor identified subcontracting opportunities).

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Watershed Protection Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$2,600,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Capital Budget of Watershed Protection Department. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

The Purchasing Office issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) 6300 MDD3000 for these services. The solicitation issued on February 25, 2019 and it closed on April 2, 2019. Of the two offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the only responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a log of offers received, is available for viewing on the City's Financial Services website, Austin Finance Online. Link: [Solicitation Documents](https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=128952)
<https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=128952>.

Prior Council Action:

For More Information:

Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov <<mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov>>

NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: Matthew Duree, at 512-974-6346 or Matt.Duree@austintexas.gov.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for maintenance services of the Waller Creek Tunnel (WCT). The WCT consists of the tunnel, the inlet at Waterloo Park, the 4th and 8th Street creekside inlets, and the outlet at Lady Bird Lake. The WCT provides critical flood protection to a major downtown watershed. Since May 2017, the WCT has diverted over 1.25 billion gallons of stormwater along with sediment, a significant amount of which is expected to have settled in the tunnel. In order to ensure the WCT maintains conveyance capacity, periodic maintenance is required that includes removing any accumulated sediment and debris. It is anticipated that this effort will be needed every two years. Watershed Protection Department anticipates utilizing this service in the late summer to coincide with a seasonal dry weather window. The timing is critical to be able to conduct maintenance in an active storm water relief tunnel.

A one-time purchase was made in 2017 for similar services. The work was performed and completed in the Spring of 2017. Approximately 3000 tons of sediment was removed as part of this first-time cleanup. Estimates for this solicitation were based on the conditions found during the maintenance effort in 2017.

An evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the offers and scored National Power Rodding Corp as qualified to provide these services based on system concept and solution, program and schedule, experience and qualifications, price, local preference and service-disabled veterans business enterprise.

If the City is unable to enter into a contract with the recommended contractor this will impact the ability of the WCT to meet prescribed floodplain reduction benefits.

Contract Detail:

<u>Contract Term</u>	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Contract Authorization</u>
Initial Term	2 yrs.	\$1,645,000
Optional Extension 1	2 yrs.	\$1,645,000
Optional Extension 2	2 yrs.	\$1,645,000
TOTAL	6 yrs.	\$4,935,000

Note: Contract Authorization amounts are based on the City's estimated annual usage.