



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-1979, **Agenda Item #:** 34.

5/21/2020

Posting Language

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with M.A. Smith Contracting Co., Inc., for the Anderson Mill Road Regional Mobility Improvements project in the amount of \$6,823,237.40 plus a \$682,323.74 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$7,505,561.14.

[Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program by meeting the goals with 7.32% MBE and 1.33% WBE participation.]

Lead Department

Capital Contracting Office

Managing Department

Public Works Department

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$7,036,020 is available in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Capital Budget of the Austin Transportation Department. Funding in the amount of \$469,542 is available in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection Department.

Purchasing Language:

Lowest responsive bid of four bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation.

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>>.

Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749, Garrett Cox, 512-974-9423, or the Project Manager, Octavio Garza, 512-974-7234.

Additional Backup Information:

This item is related to the 2016 Mobility Bond.

As part of the 2016 Mobility Bond, the Public Works Department and sponsoring Austin Transportation Department and Watershed Protection Department request authorization to enter into a construction contract to implement critical mobility improvements to the Anderson Mill Road corridor, classified as a critical major arterial, between US Highway 183 and Spicewood Parkway.

The improvements were identified based on roadway performance including improved traffic mobility, reduced crash frequency and severity, and the provision of alternate modes of transportation. Two travel lanes will be maintained in each direction with proposed improvements including the following:

- Addition of new center left-turn lanes/bays
- Raised median at the intersection of Anderson Mill Road with US Highway 183
- Extension of the right-turn lane on Anderson Mill Road eastbound approaching US Highway 183
- Continuous pedestrian and bicycle shared-use paths on both sides of Anderson Mill Road
- Installation of underground infrastructure for possible future traffic signals
- Water-quality elements

The project calls for lane closures at varying locations throughout the corridor at various times during the construction sequence. The Public Works Department will communicate information regarding the project with neighboring businesses and residents using mailings, social media outreach, press releases, etc., to inform the public as the work progresses.

A delay in issuing this contract may affect the delivery of mobility improvements for this high-volume corridor with limited alternative mobility options. Construction of the project is expected to commence in Summer 2020.

Due to the potential for unforeseen circumstances or physical project conditions, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. A contingency is an additional amount of money added to the construction budget to cover any unforeseen construction costs associated with the project.

The contract allows 540 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78750 (District 6).

M.A. Smith Contracting Co., Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.

Information on this solicitation is available through the City's Austin Finance Online website. Link: [Solicitation Documents <https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=134052>](https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=134052)

Strategic Outcome(s):

Mobility; Safety; Health and Environment.