

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-1117, Agenda Item #: 47.

2/4/2021

Posting Language

Authorize an amendment to an existing contract with American YouthWorks, for continued environmentally sustainable landscaping services through an environmental job training program, to implement the Austin Civilian Conservation Corp in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, for an increase in the amount of \$625,000 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$3,125,000.

(Note: This amendment 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 amendment, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Parks and Recreation Department; Austin Water; Watershed Protection Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$625,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Operating and/or Capital Budgets of various City departments. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

Contract Amendment.

Prior Council Action:

October 4, 2018 - Council approved the original contract, item 19, on a vote of 9-0 with Council Member Renteria off the dais and Council Member Troxclair absent.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The contract provides career training opportunities to develop technical and job-readiness skills while performing environmentally sustainable landscaping services on City-managed properties. Services provided include the development of natural surface trails, removal of non-native or noxious weeds and brush, tree pruning, and general landscape maintenance.

The proposed amendment will serve to implement the Austin Civilian Conservation Corp (ACCC), as directed

by Council Resolution 20200507-061, specifically this request facilitates the hiring of crews under the Austin Civilian Conservation Corp without impacting the original needs the City had for the contract. Services provided will include forest health work on park and watershed land, land management on parkland preserves and wildfire mitigation. American YouthWorks is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and is headquartered in Austin. The proposed amendment was determined using estimates based on future crew needs of the Austin Civilian Conservation Corp.

If this request is not approved the City's ability to fully implement the ACCC as directed by Council Resolution 20200507-061 will be greatly reduced.

Contract Detail

		Current	Requested	Revised
Contract	Length	Contract	Additional	Total
<u>Term</u>	of Term	Authorization	Authorization	Authorization
Initial Term	3 yr.	\$2,500,000		\$2,500,000
Proposed Amendment	-		\$625,000	\$ 625,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$ -		\$ -
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$ -		\$ -
TOTALS	5 yrs.	\$2,500,000	\$625,000	\$3,125,000

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

Strategic Outcome(s):

Economic Opportunity and Affordability; Safety; Government That Works for All.