

# **Recommendation for Action**

## File #: 21-1409, Agenda Item #: 5.

3/25/2021

## Posting Language

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Sefbo Pipeline Bridge, Inc., for the North Side Catering and Concessions Upgrade project in the amount of \$565,378.74 plus a \$56,537.87 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$621,916.61.

[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 4.27% MBE and 0.58% WBE participation.]

### Lead Department

Capital Contracting Office

### Managing Department

Public Works Department

#### Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Budget of the Austin Convention Center 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>.

NOTE: 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, Sergio Altamirano, 512-974-1747.

### Additional Backup Information:

The project is located on the fourth floor of the Austin Convention Center, in the existing north side kitchen. The kitchen's existing walk-in coolers, freezer, and dishwasher were installed as a part of the original construction in 2003 and have exceeded their lifespan and ongoing repairs to these components are becoming cost prohibitive. The North kitchen serves as the only production kitchen for the Austin Convention Center and it is critical to the Austin Convention Center's operational needs. Replacing the equipment now will allow the Austin Convention Center to meet current and future business needs, especially during the expansion process.

The project consists of demolishing and replacing existing walk-in coolers, freezer, dishwasher and associated mechanical, electrical, and plumbing necessary for their operation. The existing ceiling tiles and grid will be removed and replaced, and the existing epoxy flooring will be repaired as necessary.

With the exception of the new rooftop condensers for the walk-in coolers and freezer, it is anticipated that work will take place inside the kitchen space. The project is planned in phases and will require close coordination

with Austin Convention Center operations staff to minimize any impact to services.

This item includes one allowance to address fungal remediation. An allowance is an amount that is specified and included in the construction contract or specifications for a certain item(s) of work whose details are not yet determined at the time of bidding.

Delaying approval of this contract will further exceed the equipment's lifespan and postpone the needed upgrades to the walk-in coolers, freezer, and dishwasher which may affect the Austin Convention Center's catering and concession services.

Due to the potential for discovery of unknown existing building conditions, a 10% contingency 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. By authorizing the additional contingency funding, Council is authorizing any change orders within the contingency amount.

The contract allows 210 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78701 (District 9).

Sefbo Pipeline Bridge, Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Culture and Lifelong Learning; Economic Opportunity and Affordability