



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-3050, **Agenda Item #:** 25.

10/14/2021

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the Design-Build agreement with JE Dunn Construction Inc., for preconstruction, schematic design, and construction services for the new Austin Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services stations in the amount of \$24,000,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$53,800,000.

[Note: This amendment will be awarded in compliance with City Code 2-9A and 2-9B (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). Current participation for the Design Phase is 13.07% MBE and 2.65% WBE. Current participation to date for the Construction Phase is 1.14% MBE and 14.34% WBE.]

Lead Department

Capital Contracting Office.

Managing Department

Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget of the Austin Fire Department.

Purchasing Language:

Original contract was awarded through a qualifications-based selection process.

Prior Council Action:

March 25, 2021 -Council authorized increase of \$2,300,000 to \$29,800,000 for design of APD Canyon Creek substation.

December 10, 2020 -Council authorized increase of \$2,000,000 to \$27,500,000 for Loop 360/Davenport design.

November 14, 2019 -Council authorized increase of \$13,500,000 to \$25,500,000 for Del Valle and Travis County design and construction.

November 15, 2018 - Council approved negotiating and executing a Design-Build agreement with JE Dunn Construction for new Austin Fire Department/Emergency Medical Services (AFD/EMS) stations with funding of \$12,000,000 for Del Valle.

August 30, 2018-Council authorized use of Alternative Delivery Method.

For More Information:

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NOTE: Direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749, Beverly Mendez, 512-974-3596, or the Project Manager, Michelle Noriega, 512-974-1169.

Additional Backup Information:

On March 24, 2016, the Austin City Council directed the City Manager to develop a comprehensive plan for consideration during the budget process with proposed funding mechanisms and timelines for building fire stations in five areas of immediate need identified by the Austin Fire Association (Local 975) and the Austin Fire Department. These five stations were chosen as locations that would benefit the Fire and EMS response times, and which could also support potential gaps in existing stations response times.

The locations for the new Fire/EMS stations include:

- Del Valle/Moore's Crossing area (7019 Elroy Road)
- Travis County area (5410 W HWY 290 Service Road)
- Loop 360/Davenport area (4601 Westlake Drive - proposed)
- Goodnight Ranch area (proposed)
- Canyon Creek area (9804 N. FM 620 Road - proposed)

Del Valle/Moore's Crossing has completed the Warranty Phase as of July 2021; Travis County is complete and in Warranty Phase as of July 2021; Loop 360/Davenport is in the design phase; Canyon Creek APD Sub-Station is in the schematic design phase; and the additional funds are for the construction of Loop 360/Davenport and to start the design and preconstruction services for the Goodnight Ranch and Canyon Creek Fire/EMS stations. Council previously approved \$29.8 million in authorization for Del Valle, Travis County, Loop 360/Davenport and Canyon Creek APD sub-stations. This request is to increase authority to construct the Loop 360/Davenport Fire/EMS station and to design the Goodnight Ranch and Canyon Creek Fire/EMS station. Future amendments will be brought to Council when funding is approved for the construction of the Goodnight Ranch and the Canyon Creek Fire/EMS stations.

Council provided direction to have five new Fire/EMS stations constructed in five years in areas currently languishing in response times. Failure to provide the additional funding will delay the start of the design and construction of the new Fire/EMS stations required to alleviate the current situation.

This amendment was approved by the City's Change Control Committee. The Change Control Committee was established to comply with Council Resolution No. 20120126-048, which required the establishment of consistent criteria and process to evaluate contractual changes for all contracts administered by the Capital Contracting Office. The Change Control Committee is comprised of management-level subject matter experts.

JE Dunn Construction Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety, Government that Works for All.