

# City of Austin

# Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2041, Agenda Item #: 15.

6/16/2022

## Posting Language

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Posillico Civil, Inc., for the Country Club West - Roy G. Guerrero Park Channel Stabilization project in the amount of \$21,878,200 plus a \$3,281,730 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$25,159,930.

[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 9.83% MBE and 2.29% WBE participation.]

# Lead Department

Financial Services Department

# Managing Department

**Public Works Department** 

### Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$22,942,871 is available in the Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection Department.

Funding in the amount of \$2,217,059 is available in the Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

# Purchasing Language:

Lowest responsive bid of seven bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bids solicitation.

### For More Information:

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, Darryl Haba, 512-974-2777.

### Additional Backup Information:

During the federally declared flood disasters of May and October 2015, the drainage channel named Country Club West, located within the Roy G. Guerrero Colorado River Metropolitan Park, experienced significant erosion. The flood disasters resulted in the failure of a pedestrian bridge, and the exposure of wastewater lines and reclaimed water lines. The flooding also created a condition of accelerated erosion which has been ongoing since 2015 and continues to threaten park infrastructure. The Watershed Protection Department secured a \$8,455,697 Federal Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation Grant dedicated to the funding of this project. Council also appropriated non-voter approved debt funding in the Parks and Recreation Department's fiscal year 2015 and 2016 Capital Budgets for replacement of the bridge.

The purpose of this project is to reconstruct and stabilize the Country Club West channel in order to support park use, protect parkland, and restore the pedestrian bridge across the channel. The geotechnical conditions in the vicinity of the project continue to be highly unstable. There is also the potential for additional channel

erosion and damage to the park as a result of heavy rains or flood events. A 15% 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. By authorizing the additional contingency funding, Council is authorizing any change orders within the contingency amount.

There will be no impact to the public or park users as all work will take place within the channel. Staging will be in areas that do not impact parking and the work will not prevent access to the Krieg Field Complex.

Without completion of the channel stabilization project, erosion will continue to progress upstream through parkland. Hundreds of trees in the channel and acres of parkland will be lost to continued erosion even with average rainfall. In the channel areas already affected, erosion will worsen and threaten park infrastructure, such as ballfields, parking, trails, and park roads. The wastewater line crossing the channel will continue to be vulnerable to failure with the potential of a wastewater spill very near the Colorado River. Once the erosion exits the park, the channel erosion will threaten private property and public infrastructure, including the Riverside and Wickersham bridges. An intervention is necessary to stabilize the area because the damage will not resolve on its own.

The contract allows 730 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78741 (District 3).

Posillico Civil, Inc. is located in Austin, TX.

# Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment, Safety