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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2515, Agenda Item #: 69.

7/28/2022

Posting Language

Approve a resolution finding the use of the Competitive Sealed Proposal method of contracting, as authorized by Subchapter D, Chapter 2269 of the Texas Government Code, is the project delivery method that provides the best value to the City related to the development of park improvements for the Rainey Street Trailhead project and authorizing negotiation and execution of a Parkland Improvement and Maintenance Agreement with the Trail Foundation for a total contract amount not to exceed \$778,865.00.

Lead Department

Parks and Recreation Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

For More Information:

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Council Committee. Boards and Commission Action:

The Rainey St. Trailhead Project obtained a Conditional Use Site Development Permit as required for development on P-zoning property. The project was approved by the Planning Commission for the conditional use permit on May 10. The Trail Foundation also presented the trailhead plans to the Waller Creek Design Guidelines Review Committee on January 19, the Downtown Commission on January 19 and the Design Commission on February 25.

Additional Backup Information:

The Rainey Street Trailhead project (the "Project") will include park improvements located along Waller Beach at Town Lake Metro Park just south of the Emma Barrientos Mexican American Center and at the intersection of East Ave. and Cummings Street. The park improvements include a trail head, seating, nature play, green infrastructure, and lighting. The new amenity will serve the Rainey Street District residents which are park deficient and in need of family friendly park amenities. The Parkland Improvement and Maintenance Agreement will set forth rights and obligations of the City and the Trail Foundation related to the funding, development, operations, and maintenance of the park improvements. The City will contribute an amount not to exceed \$778,865.00 to the Project. The need for adding family friendly opportunities at this site has been a struggle for PARD due to the demand for resources to address the highly used Hike and Bike Trail and ensuring future investments are secured for the multiple phases of the Emma Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center. With this partnership between the City and the Trail Foundation, PARD can refocus its efforts in providing an investment in family friendly park amenities that will serve the explosive population growth in the Rainey District. Specific park amenities in this plan include a nature play playground, café-style seating area, open playfield, a dock providing access to the water's edge and native landscape throughout the site.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health & Environment; Culture & Lifelong Learning; Government that Works for All.