

# City of Austin

## Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-1574, Agenda Item #: 10.

4/25/2019

## Posting Language

Authorize additional contingency funding for the competitive sealed proposal agreement with RS Ellis d.b.a. Southwest Corporation, for the Austin Fire Department Locker Room Project Phase 5 and EMS Vehicle Bay Expansion project in the amount of \$225,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,231,345.

(Note: This contract was awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code Minority Owned and Women Business Enterprise Procurement Program) through achievements of Good Faith Efforts. Current participation to date is 11.21% MBE and 0.35% WBE.)

## Lead Department

Capital Contracting Office

## Managing Department(s)

**Public Works Department** 

#### Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$112,500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Capital Budget of the Emergency Medical Services.

Funding in the amount of \$112,500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Capital Budget of the Austin Fire Department.

## Purchasing Language:

Original agreement was awarded through the Competitive Sealed Proposal solicitation process.

#### Prior Council Action:

May 24, 2018 - Council authorized execution of change order #5 to the CSP agreement with RS Ellis Inc/Southwest Corporation.

November 3, 2016 - Council approved a Competitive Sealed Agreement with RS Ellis Inc/Southwest Corporation.

December 17, 2015 - Council authorization for use of Competitive Sealed Proposal (CSP) method for solicitation.

#### For More Information:

Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov

NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749, Beverly Mendez, 512-974-3596, or the Project Manager, Craig Russell,

512-974-7157.

# Additional Backup Information:

This project is part of an ongoing program to provide equal access facilities for women firefighters throughout the City. The project will remodel six existing fire stations to add women's locker rooms. The six fire stations are:

- Fire Station No. 5, 1201 Webberville Rd. (District 10) Completed
- Fire Station No. 7, 201 Chicon St. (District 3) Completed
- Fire Station No. 22, 5309 E. Riverside Dr. (District 3) Completed
- Fire Station No. 24, 5811 Nuckols Crossing Rd. (District 2) Completed
- Fire Station No. 26, 6702 Wentworth Dr. (District 1) Completed
- Fire Station No. 27, 5401 McCarty Lane (District 8) Under Construction

The project also includes new vehicle emissions exhaust system and heating ventilation air conditioning as needed for each bay, construction of larger vehicle bays to accommodate new, larger ambulances, construction of larger quarters for paramedics, and improved driveway access for ambulances. The three Emergency Medical Service stations are:

- EMS Station No. 2, 6601 Manchaca Rd. (District 5) Under Construction
- EMS Station No. 8, 5211 Balcones Dr. (District 10) Under Construction
- EMS Station No. 11, 5401 McCarty Lane (District 8) Under Construction

All project locations were previously permitted as site plan corrections. During permit review it was determined that a new, full site plan is required for Fire Station No. 27 and EMS Station No. 11 in order to retroactively comply with the Save Our Springs (SOS) Ordinance. The design consultant has submitted a site plan to the Development Services Department (DSD) and review comments are being addressed. This additional authorization will fund the construction modifications necessary in order to bring the site into compliance.

The previous Council request for the pond reconstruction at Fire Station No. 27 was based on the project scope as of January 2018 and developed in consultation with the Development Services Department (DSD). This scope was understood to include the restoration (repair and/or replacement in kind) of the water quality controls existing on the site.

Contingency will provide for additional work at Fire Station No. 27 and EMS Station No. 11 for the following work: required demolition and complete reconstruction of the existing ponds, the addition of concrete perimeter walls, fencing, wet wells, new inlets and storm drainage piping, and considerably more concrete work on site. This additional work will be reflected in 14 additional drawing sheets added to the site development permit set in response to comments from DSD. A delay executing will prolong the construction of needed improvements at the Fire/EMS station.

The contract allows 516 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip codes 78721, 78702, 78741, 78744, 78724, 78749, 78745, and 78731 (Districts 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, and 10).

RS Ellis Inc/Southwest Corporation is located in Austin, Texas.