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# Recommendation for Action

City of Austin

File #: 19-3540, Agenda Item #: 5.

11/14/2019

#### Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with MWM DesignGroup, Inc, (WBE) (staff recommendation), or one of the other qualified responders for Request for Qualifications Solicitation No. CLMP281, to provide architectural design services for EMS facility renovations, in an amount not to exceed \$5,265,000.

[Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 15.80% MBE and 15.80% WBE participation.]

# Lead Department

Capital Contracting Office

### Managing Department

**Public Works Department** 

## Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$4,580,550 is available in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Capital Budget of the Emergency Medical Services Department.

Funding in the amount of \$684,450 is available in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Capital Budget of the Austin Fire Department.

#### Purchasing Language:

Staff recommendation is the most qualified firm out of seven firms evaluated through the City's qualification-based selection process.

## Prior Council Action:

August 22, 2019 - Council approved the Construction-Manager-at-Risk alternative delivery procurement method.

#### 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, William Massingill, 512-974-7263.

#### Additional Backup Information:

The five EMS stations that are included in this Project are among the earliest facilities built for the EMS department in Austin. Though state of the art when originally designed, the vehicle bays and staff spaces are now cramped, and the building systems are at the end of their service life. At two to three decades old, the

buildings are also non-conforming with current building and accessibility code requirements.

The objective of the project is to provide renovations and additions to existing EMS Stations 1, 5, 7 (a part of Fire Station 8), 10 (a part of Fire Station 25), and 13 (a part of Fire Station 23). This project will include Architectural/Engineering consultant services for all phases of the project including review of the building program and site studies as included in the Feasibility Study Report, review of the building program as depicted in this solicitation for EMS Station 13, and design, bid, construction and post construction phase services. The design, bid, and construction phase services include all basic services, which are part of the City of Austin's professional services contract.

This authorization provides for funding of the above listed services. This request allows for the development of an agreement with the qualified responder that Council selects. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the selected responder, negotiations will cease with that provider. Staff will return to Council so that Council may select another qualified responder

TOP RANKED FIRM: MWM DesignGroup, Inc. (WBE/FW), is located in Austin, Texas

SECOND RANKED FIRM: CasaBella Architects (MBE/MH) is located in Austin, Texas

Information on this solicitation is available through the City's Austin Finance Online website. Link: <u>Solicitation Documents <a href="https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account\_services/solicitation/solicitation\_details.cfm?">https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account\_services/solicitation/solicitation\_details.cfm?</a></u><a href="mailto:solicitation-soli