



## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 20-2615, **Agenda Item #:** 9.

8/27/2020

### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of a competitive sealed proposal agreement with Rosendin Electric, Inc. for construction services for the Austin Convention Center South Side and North Side Event Space Lighting project for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.

[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 36.38% MBE and 2.04% WBE participation.]

### **Lead Department**

Capital Contracting Office

### **Managing Department**

Public Works Department

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Capital Budget of the Austin Convention Center Department.

### **Purchasing Language:**

Best Value to the City of Austin of four proposals received.

### **Prior Council Action:**

March 12, 2020 - Austin City Council authorized the use of Competitive Sealed Proposal.

### **For More Information:**

Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or [AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov](mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov) <<mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov>>

NOTE: 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, Andrew Clements, 512-974-7152.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

This project will consolidate two different existing event space lighting control systems, necessary to facilitate system repairs that have been a challenge in the past due to obsolete and hard to find parts. The work consists of the replacement of the event space lighting automation control system, for both the South and North Side Event Spaces (currently operating under two control systems). A new single-source lighting control system will be an upgrade that solves current system repair and maintenance issues and allows easier and greater coordination between Austin Convention Center staff and their customers while also allowing the customers greater autonomous control over their events. It is critical the department moves forward with replacement of the existing aged lighting control systems, even as the City moves forward with a planned expansion project. The expansion project timeline is several years away, and the new lighting system will enable the department to meet existing customer needs.

The new lighting control system and components could be usable in a Convention Center expansion but would be dependent on the actual expansion design. Staff will take the need to repurpose the new lighting control system and components as they move forward in the design phase of the Convention Center expansion project.

The contract allows 730 calendar days for completion of this project. This timeline was initially developed with respect to the need to schedule work in such a way as to minimize impacts on events that are currently scheduled to be held in the building. It is estimated that the timeline will be significantly reduced as the City continues to remain in the stricter phases of the COVID-19 re-opening guidelines, but given the uncertainty surrounding reopening at this time, the department recommends keeping the completion timeline of 730 calendar days.

This project is located within zip code 78701 (District 1).

Rosendin Electric, Inc. is headquartered in San Jose, California with a branch office located in Pflugerville, Texas.

Information on this solicitation is available through the City's Austin Finance Online website. Link: [Solicitation Documents](#)

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

Government that Works for All; Economic Opportunity and Affordability.