

# City of Austin

# Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-2926, Agenda Item #: 17.

9/30/2021

# Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with Marmon Mok, LLP (staff recommendation), or one of the other qualified responders for Request for Qualifications Solicitation No. CLMP314 to provide Professional Architectural Services for the Beverly S. Sheffield Northwest District Park and Montopolis Neighborhood Park Aquatic Facilities project in an amount not to exceed \$1,450,000.

[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 15.90% MBE and 16.00% WBE participation.]

# Lead Department

Capital Contracting Office.

#### Managing Department

Parks and Recreation Department.

#### Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation 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:

February 4, 2021 - Council approved the use of the Construction Manager at Risk method for the Beverly S. Sheffield Northwest District Park and Montopolis Neighborhood Park Aquatic Facilities project.

#### 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>.

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, Patrick Bever, 512-974-9476.

# Additional Backup Information:

The City of Austin solicited for the selection of a firm to provide Professional Architectural Services for the Montopolis Neighborhood Park Pool and the Northwest District Park Aquatic Facilities project.

The Montopolis Neighborhood Park located southeast of downtown Austin is a 7.61-acre site home to a new community center completed in 2020. This building provides over 33,000 square feet of new space, including a

commercial kitchen, gymnasium, fitness room, computer lab, conference rooms and educational programming areas. The existing pool was constructed in 1978. The Austin Aquatic Vision Plan, adopted in 2018, calls for Montopolis Pool to be renovated as a community pool featuring a 7,000 sq ft pool, 9,000 sq ft pool deck, and new pool house.

The Beverly S. Sheffield Northwest District Park located in northwest Austin is a 31.14-acre site named after a former director of the Parks and Recreation Department, Beverly S. Sheffield. Park amenities include a baseball field, basketball and tennis courts, a pool, rentable picnic spaces, a duck pond, and trails along Shoal Creek. The pool was constructed in 1956 and is scheduled to become a Regional Aquatics Facility according to the 2018 Austin Aquatic Vision Plan. The new pool design will feature a 14,000 sq ft pool, a 14,000 sq ft pool deck, and a new pool house. In 2021, PARD began developing a new vision plan for the district park overall.

Both projects are funded by Proposition C of the 2018 General Obligation Bond Program.

The recommended firm will provide Professional Architectural Services for all phases of the two listed park pools. The design and construction phase services will include all basic services as part of the City of Austin's professional services agreement. The ideal designs of these facilities will incorporate the existing park conditions and amenities and will be complementary and supportive to the character and history of the surrounding communities.

The public's use of the two pools will not be impacted until construction begins, which is currently estimated in the fall of 2023. During construction, the pools will remain closed for an estimated 510 calendar days.

If City Council does not approve this item, project completion will delay use of the facilities.

The project will be managed by Parks and Recreation Department.

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 awards. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the awarded responder, negotiations will cease with that provider. Staff will return to Council so that Council may award another qualified responder and authorize contract negotiations with that provider.

TOP RANKED FIRM: Marmon Mok, LLP is located in San Antonio, TX

SECOND RANKED FIRM: McKinney Architects, Inc. dba McKinney York Architects is located in Austin, TX

# Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.