

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1262, Agenda Item #: 6.

3/3/2022

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with AECOM Technical Services Inc., as technical baggage handling system advisor for the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport Terminal Centralized Baggage Handling System Design Criteria Manual Reissue in the amount of \$1,834,586 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,592,586.

[Note: This amendment will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) and 49CR Part 26 (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program). Current participation to date is 11.34% DBE.]

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Managing Department

Department of Aviation.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget of the Department of Aviation.

Purchasing Language:

Original contract was awarded through a qualifications-based selection process.

Prior Council Action:

January 23, 2020 - Amendment for additional Program Management services.

December 14, 2017 - Council approved a professional services agreement with AECOM Technical Services Inc. for the ABIA Terminal Centralized Baggage Handling System Design Criteria Manual (DCM).

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

February 8, 2022 - Recommended by the Airport Advisory Commission on an 8-0-1-1 vote. Vice Chair Madole abstained. Commissioner Coon was absent.

Additional Backup Information:

AECOM provides specialty subject matter expert (SME) services for the AUS Airport Project Management team to ensure that industry best practices are incorporated. AECOM serves as an independent third party for the AUS management team in review of alternatives proposed, evaluation of cost estimates, as well as review and recommendation regarding phasing, scheduling, cutovers, testing, inspection, and contingency operation

considerations. AECOM has provided a variety of technical experts who may be called upon throughout the ABIA Terminal Centralized Baggage Handling System (BHS) project's lifecycle for various tasks only upon request by AUS management team.

AECOM will also provide on-site observation, review, and support services for the AUS team during construction, installation, and testing. AUS Project Managers and technical personnel are tasked with several vital operational duties and the ability to provide technical support on a continuous basis is not possible. AECOM assisted the AUS team in development of the Basis of Design Documents for the program as well as continuing the advisory SME role providing clear communication and reviews back to the AUS management team. The AECOM team provided support to AUS team during COVID-19 and has been a reliable partner throughout the pandemic with continued on-site support and travel when needed in addition to multiple adjustments of workflows to support new project timelines.

This amendment will allow for maintained continuity during the execution stages of the project. AECOM BHS SME's have provided support on past BHS projects prior to this one as a Designer and Project Manager and will use this extensive experience and knowledge of the AUS systems to allow the AUS management and operations team to focus on day-to-day airport operational issues. With AECOM in this role, the AUS team can confidently make decisions with the understanding that the technical specialist team is available to provide third party observation and recommendations, reviews, inspections, testing oversight and ultimately provide written reports to the AUS team capturing potential issues before they arise. This vital support will reduce the opportunities for errors, omissions, and costly schedule and cost changes during execution.

This amendment has been approved by the City's Change Control Committee. The Change Control Committee was established to comply with Council Resolution No. 20120126-048, which required the establishment of consistent criteria and process to evaluate contractual changes for all contracts administered by the Financial Services Department. The Change Control Committee is comprised of management-level subject matter experts.

AECOM Technical Services Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety, Economic Opportunity and Affordability, Health and Environment, and Mobility.