

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1392, Agenda Item #: 20.

3/24/2022

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with AECOM Technical Services Inc. (staff recommendation) for Request for Qualifications Solicitation No. CLMP328, to provide engineering services for ATD Transportation Engineering Staff Augmentation in the amount of \$8,000,000 for an initial one-year term, with four one-year extension options of \$4,500,000 each, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$26,000,000.

[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

Financial Services Department

Managing Department

Austin Transportation Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$9,000,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget of the Austin Transportation Department.

Funding in the amount of \$4,000,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operating Budget of the Austin Transportation Department.

Purchasing Language:

Staff recommendation is the one qualified firm evaluated through the City's qualification-based selection process.

For More Information:

Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749, Rick Wilson, 512-974-7261, or the Project Manager, Meredith Quick, 512-974-2950.

Additional Backup Information:

Austin Transportation Department (ATD) is committed to providing the safest, most efficient, cost-effective, and sustainable transportation network for our community. ATD strives for a complete transportation network that serves the needs of street, bicycle, pedestrian, and transit users. ATD's mission is fulfilled through the following core functions: maintain mobility and increase person throughput by responding to the City of Austin's citizens and implementing multimodal transportation improvements; manage congestion by implementing infrastructure improvements, and demand management through project development review; and improve safety by analyzing crashes and constructing safety improvements for all users.

ATD has an immediate need to augment existing staff to meet increasing demands and ensure that its

objectives are met in a timely and responsive manner. This staff augmentation contract would secure engineering support to accomplish these objectives. Assignments authorized under this contract will include short, medium, and long-term engineering and planning review, design, and project implementation. All work will be guided by principles from adopted and emerging transportation plans: system master plans, corridor studies, regulating plans, administrative programs, the Austin Strategic Mobility Plan, the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan, and others.

This request allows for the award and execution of a professional services contract with AECOM Technical Services Inc. for an estimated period of one-year with four, one-year renewal options. However, staff may extend the final term until funds are expended, but in no event will exceed the total contract amount.

There was only one submission for this Request For Qualifications (RFQ) solicitation. There was limited interest in submission for this project due to the scale and scope of the RFQ.

A delay in approval of this award may limit ATD's ability to deliver on Capital Improvement Program projects using bond funds and provide core functions, given the increased demand for services.

Under this contract, AECOM will collect data, design transportation projects, perform development review, and engage in public outreach, among other professional services. As projects advance towards implementation public notification and engagement activities will occur, as needed.

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 respondent, negotiations will cease with that provider and staff will evaluate how to best proceed.

TOP RANKED FIRM: AECOM Technical Services, Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Mobility, Safety.