



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1978, **Agenda Item #:** 24.

6/9/2022

Posting Language

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Southwest Corporation, for the Public Safety Training Campus Running Track project in the amount of \$895,446.09 plus a \$89,544.60 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$984,990.69.

[Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) through the achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 0.85% MBE and 1.24% WBE participation.]

Lead Department

Financial Services Department

Managing Department

Building Services Department

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of the Building Services Department.

Purchasing Language:

Lowest responsive bid of five bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bids solicitation.

For More Information:

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, Mark Northcutt, 512-974-3972.

Additional Backup Information:

The Public Safety Training Campus (PSTC) running track is heavily used by Austin Police, Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Services, and the Austin Fire Departments especially during cadet training classes. The Building Services Department received reports from the PSTC occupants that the track had become a safety issue as cadets had fallen and injured themselves.

The Building Services Department responded by hiring a rotation list engineering firm to determine why the running track was failing. The new drainage system from the roof of structures near the running track is designed to drain underneath the running track and not across it. This has caused erosion of the base under the running track and damaging the track surface. The new track will be synthetic and hold up to the elements better than the original running track installed when the training center was originally constructed.

Due to the potential for unforeseen conditions, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. A contingency is an additional amount of money added to the construction budget to cover any unforeseen construction costs associated with the project. By authorizing the additional contingency funding, Council is authorizing any change orders within the contingency amount.

This project is located solely on City property that is not open to the public, so there is no public impact expected.

The current running track has become a safety hazard. If this item is not approved, risk of injury to public safety employees could continue to occur.

The contract allows 180 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78744, within the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction. The project will be managed by the Building Services Department.

Southwest Corporation is located in Austin, Texas.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety, Health and Environment.