



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-3408, Agenda Item #: 9.

12/8/2022

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with Lord Aeck and Sargent, Inc. for architectural design services for the Faulk Library/History Center and Archival Repository Expansion project in the amount of \$75,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,736,000.

[Note: This amendment was awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program.) Current participation to date is 9.99% MBE and 15.76% WBE]. Related to Item #10.

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Managing Department

Austin Public Library Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of the Austin Public Library Department.

Purchasing Language:

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

Prior Council Action:

August 22, 2019 - Council approved Construction Manager at Risk (CMR) methodology. This is the professional design team for that CMR. This solicitation was conducted in accordance with Council Resolution No. 20190822-015

February 20, 2020 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with Lord Aeck and Sargent, Inc. to provide architectural design services for the Faulk Library/History Center and Archival Repository Expansion project.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The Austin History Center (AHC) building is a City of Austin Historic Landmark as well as a Registered Texas Historic Landmark. It is also listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Its historic collections, research services, public exhibits and programs attract approximately 45,000 visitors annually, with 25% of those visitors from outside Austin. Due to the increased demands on the facility from its users, there is a need to combine the John H. Faulk Library and AHC, located at 800 and 810 Guadalupe St., into an Austin History Archival Repository Center.

Combining the Faulk Library and AHC will add much needed archival storage space, security for collections, and upgrade environmental controls. The campus will be a single destination that will facilitate seamless interchanges between the Faulk Building, the AHC, adjacent Wooldridge Square and many nearby historical sites.

This amendment provides additional professional design services for the design of the replacement of the building's original chilled water system which is at the end of its useful service life and efficiency, requiring excessive repairs and operating costs.

Funding for the redevelopment of the facility is provided by 2018 Prop B - Libraries, Museums and Cultural Arts Facilities (Branch Library Renovations) and 2017-2018; 2018-2019; 2019-2020; 2020-2021 - Historic Preservation Hotel Occupancy Tax Funds.

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-Capital Contracting. The Change Control Committee is comprised of management-level subject matter experts.

This project is located within zip code 78701 (District 9).

Lord Aeck and Sargent, Inc., is located in Austin, Texas.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety, Government that Works for All, Culture and Lifelong Learning.