

City of Austin



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-1947, Agenda Item #: 12.

6/8/2023

Posting Language

Authorize an amendment to a contract for the Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Culture Center Phase 2 project with the Joint Venture of Miro Rivera Architects Inc. and Tatiana Bilbao SC (Miro Rivera/Tatiana Bilbao, LLC), to increase the amount by \$1,300,000, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$5,200,000.

[Note: This amendment will be awarded in compliance with City Code 2-9B (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). Current participation to date is 8.75% MBE and 12.77% WBE].

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Managing Department

Capital Delivery Services Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Purchasing Language:

Contract Amendment.

Prior Council Action:

February 20, 2020 - Council authorized the utilization of the construction manager-at-risk method of contracting, item 11, on a vote of 10-0 with Mayor Pro Tem Garza off the dais.

July 29, 2020 - Council authorized the original contract, item 17, on a vote of 10-0 with Mayor Adler off the dais.

June 3, 2021 - Council approved an amendment to the original contract, item 10, on a vote of 10-0 with Council Member Kelly absent.

For More Information:

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to the Financial Services Department - Central Procurement at: FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov or 512-974-2500.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

January 24, 2022 - Approved by the Design Commission on an 11-0 vote March 28, 2023 - Approved on consent by the Planning Commission on a 13-0 vote.

Additional Backup Information:

The Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Culture Center (ESB-MACC) is dedicated to the preservation, creation, presentation, and promotion of Mexican American cultural arts and heritage. The center is a tremendous resource hub where the community and visitors can learn and participate in classes and programs that foster a meaningful understanding and appreciation of Mexican American, Native American, Hispanic, and other Latino cultures.

In 2018, a revised Master Plan for the ESB- MACC outlined the remaining Phase 2 and Phase 3 of the center. Miro Rivera/Tatiana Bilbao, LLC is providing architectural and engineering services for Phase 2, including review of the 2018 Master Plan. The design is heavily centered around the community feedback and input from the Master Plan revision, which aided in developing the priorities that are guiding the renovation and expansion of the facility. Funding for Phase 2 of the 2018 ESB-MACC Master Plan project was obtained through approval of the 2018 General Obligation Bond Election (Proposition B) and Parkland Dedication Fees.

The initial authorization was for preliminary services including the development of site studies and a building program, which outlined the project's goals, conditions, and objectives. The second authorization allowed the progression of those goals to be further developed from the Design Phase through the Post-Construction Phase.

During the Design Phase, value management resulted in a scope of work reduction to stay within the construction budget. It was also determined that the roof of the ESB-MACC was nearing the end of its useful life, requiring substantial repair. Additional funding has since been identified to reincorporate some of the scope of work that was removed, add roof replacement into the project, and the design of other site improvements. This authorization will be used for Design through Post-Construction Phase services due to the increased scope of work.

This item is time sensitive. Resolution No. 20200521-095 directs the City Manager to review capital project delivery planning and accelerate delivery of cultural center facilities included in the 2018 bond package. The ESB-MACC is specifically identified as one of the capital projects intended to aid economic recovery of the City's vital arts, music, and entertainment industries during the COVID-19 pandemic.

If authorization is not given to execute an amendment, Phase 2 of the ESB-MACC Master Plan will not be realized as programmed.

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