



# City of Austin

301 W. Second Street  
Austin, TX

## Recommendation for Action

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**File #:** 23-2757, **Agenda Item #:** 42.

9/21/2023

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize an amendment to the contract for the Existing Terminal Centralized Baggage Handling System Upgrades Project with the Whiting-Turner Contracting Company, to increase the amount by \$83,808,109 for a total revised contract amount not to exceed \$256,863,723.

[Note: This amendment will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) and 49 CFR Part 26 (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program). Current participation to date is 5.66 % DBE].

### **Lead Department**

Financial Services Department.

### **Managing Department**

Capital Delivery Services.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of the Department of Aviation.

### **Purchasing Language:**

Contract Amendment.

### **Prior Council Action:**

June 19, 2019 - Council authorized use of design-build alternative delivery procurement method, item 20, on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Harper-Madison absent.

October 17, 2019 - Council authorized the initial contract, item 17 on a 9-0 vote with Council Members Alter and Tovo off the dais.

March 3, 2022- Council authorized an amendment, item 8, on a 10-0 vote with Mayor Adler absent.

### **For More Information:**

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

### **Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

September 13, 2023 - To be reviewed by the Airport Advisory Commission.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

The project is for a new centralized baggage handling system (BHS) that will improve airport flow of baggage and passengers, support the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) efficiency, and future growth of the airport. This contract allows Department of Aviation staff to work with a highly qualified design and

construction team to explore design alternatives, costs, locations, construction schedule of a long-term reconfiguration and replacement of the BHS included in the 2040 AUS Masterplan and future operational requirements.

This request for additional authorization will complete the cost of construction to expand the original BHS to the West Infill, its associated terminal volume space design, and construction to accommodate increasing airport flight operations, passenger security screening volumes, and needed airline support space.

The BHS West Infill expansion now includes a total of approximately 75,000 square feet which includes the baggage, concourse Check Point 3 expansion, apron, and mezzanine-level spaces. The baggage level space will expand the current design to add 25,000 square feet to provide future BHS growth and TSA support space. The concourse level will add approximately six to eight new security checkpoint-screening lanes which will reduce passenger lines during peak travel periods. The apron level expansion will provide additional airline office and support facilities and outbound baggage handling processing space. The mezzanine level expansion of 20,000 square feet will provide the airport with the ability to provide a revenue-generating passenger lounge and airline office and training spaces. The additional authorization will allow for the completion of all design and construction associated costs for an estimated BHS project completion in March 2026.

If this amendment is not approved, the new centralized BHS will not meet the increasing security screening, terminal operations, and passenger processing needs of the airport.