



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2754, **Agenda Item #:** 39.

9/21/2023

Posting Language

Authorize execution of a contract for the Spicewood Springs Road Regional Mobility Improvements project with DeNucci Constructors, LLC, in the amount of \$31,076,814 plus a \$3,107,681 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$34,184,495.

[Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 8.40% MBE and 1.67% WBE participation].

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Managing Department

Capital Delivery Services.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$24,129,396 is available in the Capital Budget of the Transportation and Public Works Department. Funding in the amount of \$10,055,099 is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Purchasing Language:

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitations for Bids (IFB) 6100 CLMC996 for these services. The solicitation was issued on May 8, 2023, and closed on July 13, 2023. Of the two offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the lowest responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids received, is available for viewing on the City's Financial Services website, Austin Finance Online. Link: [Solicitation Documents](https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=138862)
<https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=138862>.

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. Respondents to the solicitation and their Agents should direct all questions to the Authorized Contact Person identified in the solicitation.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

September 13, 2023 - To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

Additional Backup Information:

As part of the 2016 Mobility Bond, Capital Delivery Services and sponsoring Transportation and Public Works Department and Austin Water request authorization to enter a construction contract to implement critical regional mobility improvements to Spicewood Springs Road, classified as a major arterial, east of Loop 360.

The proposed improvements are focused on reducing congestion and enhancing safety by improving vehicular

traffic flow, reducing delays at intersection points, providing alternate modes of transportation, and reducing the number of collision points. The proposed improvements include:

- Expansion of the existing two-lane roadway section into a four-lane divided roadway with grass center median and left turn bays.
- Continuous pedestrian and bicycle shared-use paths on both sides of Spicewood Springs Road.
- Installation of an underground storm drain system with associated concrete pipe and box culverts, manholes, inlets, and outfall structures capturing existing sheet flow.
- Installation of two detention ponds to contain the downstream impacts.
- Installation of water quality ponds and rain gardens to provide water quality elements.
- Extension of water transmission lines and wastewater lines adjustments/improvements.

This item includes one allowance. The allowance of \$50,000 will be used to hire a geologist for void mitigation and/or groundwater issues, if needed. An allowance is an amount that is specified and included in the construction contract or specifications for a certain item(s) of work whose details are not yet determined at the time of bidding.

Due to the potential for unforeseen circumstances or physical project 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.

The project calls for lane closures, detours, and use of temporary pavement at varying locations throughout the roadway during construction. Capital Delivery Services will communicate information regarding the project with neighboring businesses and residents using mailings, social media outreach, press release, etc. to inform the public as the work progresses.

A delay in issuing this contract may affect the delivery of multi-modal mobility services for this corridor that currently has limited alternative mobility options. Construction is expected to begin in Fall 2023.

The contract allows 1,095 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78759 (District 10).