



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2902, **Agenda Item #:** 15.

10/5/2023

Posting Language

Authorize execution of a contract for 2024 Miscellaneous Residential Streets Fog Seal with Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc., for a total contract amount not to exceed \$8,000,000.

[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 3.15% MBE/WBE combined participation].

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Managing Department

Capital Delivery Services.

Fiscal Note

Funding for the initial amount of \$2,000,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating Budget of the Transportation and Public Works Department. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitations for Bids (IFB) 6100 CLMC994 for these services. The solicitation was issued on June 19, 2023, and closed on June 20, 2023. Of the two offers received, the recommended contractors 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=138923)
<https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=138923>.

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.

Additional Backup Information:

The Transportation and Public Works Department (TPW) is responsible for maintaining a street network comprising of 7,998 lane miles of pavement. Fog seal is a pavement preservation strategy that the City utilizes for maintaining residential streets. The work planned under this contract is beyond the current existing capacity of TPW in-house crews, so the work is contracted instead.

This work will be funded by the Transportation User Fee.

This is an Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract which provides for an indefinite quantity of

services for a fixed time, usually an initial term with extension options. They are commonly used when precise quantities of supplies or services, above a specified minimum, cannot be determined. IDIQ contracts help streamline the contract process and service delivery and allow the City the flexibility to add work as needs arise or change. As each project is defined, a specific work assignment will be assigned to the contractor who will complete the scope of work for the unit prices included in the contract. Work deadlines will be established for each work assignment.

Fog seal is a preventive maintenance strategy that is beneficial for sealing the pavement surface to minimize the effects of oxidation, thereby extending the life of the pavement. An additional benefit of fog seal when used on seal coated pavements is that it locks down the aggregates from the seal coat process, thus extending the life of the seal coat treatment and minimizes loose rock from the seal coat.

The Miscellaneous Streets Fog Seal IDIQ project is being undertaken to preserve the existing street surface and extend its useful life in neighborhoods across Austin. This contract involves the application of an asphaltic emulsion to approximately 180 lane miles of roadway annually.

The base bid was used to identify and determine the lowest responsive bidder and to determine contract unit prices for each bid item.

This request allows for the execution of a contract with Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc. for an estimated period of one year with three, one-year extensions. However, if funds for the initial term are expended staff may accelerate the extension options, but in no event will exceed the total contract amount. The extension options are subject to the agreement of both parties.

If approval of this contract is delayed, pavement surface conditions of streets will continue to and will require costly maintenance in the future. The fog seal process will not only extend the life of the pavement, but it also addresses any loose rock issues that may have resulted from previous seal coat applications.

This project will be located citywide in all districts.