



## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 23-2904, **Agenda Item #:** 17.

10/5/2023

### **Posting Language**

Authorize execution of a contract for the Teri Road and Pleasant Valley Road roundabout project with Muñiz Concrete & Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$1,799,694 plus a \$179,970 contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,979,664.

[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 7.52% MBE and 1.86% WBE participation].

### **Lead Department**

Financial Services Department.

### **Managing Department**

Transportation and Public Works.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of the Transportation and Public Works Department.

### **Purchasing Language:**

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitations for Bids (IFB) 6100 CLMC997 for these services. The solicitation was issued on May 29, 2023, and closed on July 20, 2023. Of the four 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=137867)  
<[https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account\\_services/solicitation/solicitation\\_details.cfm?sid=137867](https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=137867)>.

### **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)  
<<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 City's Corridor Program Office published the South Pleasant Valley Road Corridor Mobility Plan in June 2020, which detailed short and long-term solutions for South Pleasant Valley Road. The Transportation and Public Works Department developed short-term improvements to provide a protected bikeway and improved pedestrian crossings along the corridor, as well as a roundabout at Teri Road.

Funding for these near-term improvements is available from the 2012, 2016 and 2020 Mobility Bond Bikeways and Safe Route to School programs, Capital Metro, and the City's Quarter Cent program.

The planned roundabout at South Pleasant Valley and Teri Road will address historic crash patterns and

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improve comfort and connectivity for people walking, bicycling, taking transit to schools, parks, stores, and other destinations. The benefits of a roundabout include:

- Reduces speeds of motor vehicles and lowers the risk of most severe types of intersection crashes.
- Roundabouts improve traffic flow and are better for the environment, lessening idling and reducing vehicle emissions.
- Increase safety for pedestrians and people bicycling by reducing the points of conflict from 30 to only 8, shortening the crossing distance and providing medians so people can focus on crossing one direction at a time.
- Studies have shown that roundabouts typically achieve a 75 percent reduction in injury collisions.

Due to the potential for unforeseen circumstances of field changes, 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 Transportation and Public Works Department has communicated with the District 2 Council office and the public regarding the scope of this intersection safety project. Information regarding these projects is also publicly available on the City's Capital Projects Explorer and the Mobility Bond websites.

In the fall, the Transportation and Public Works Department will communicate with neighboring businesses and residents using mailings, social media outreach, and press releases to inform the public about upcoming work.

A delay in issuing this contract may affect the delivery of critical safety and multi-modal improvements at this intersection in Austin.

The contract allows 240 calendar days for completion of this project. Construction is expected to begin in Fall 2023.

This project is located within zip code 78744 (District 2).