



November 9, 2023

Questions and Answers Report



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The City Council Questions and Answers Report was derived from a need to provide City Council Members an opportunity to solicit clarifying information from City Departments as it relates to requests for council action. After a City Council Regular Meeting agenda has been published, Council Members will have the opportunity to ask questions of departments via the City Manager's Agenda Office. This process continues until 5:00 p.m. the Tuesday before the Council meeting. The final report is distributed at noon to City Council the Wednesday before the council meeting.

QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL

Item #6/16:

Item #6: Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Housing Trust Fund Budget (Ordinance No. 20230816-008) to increase requirements by \$5,000,000 for the purchase of the downtown Salvation Army facility.

Item #16: Authorize negotiation and execution of all documents and instruments necessary or desirable to acquire in fee simple Lots 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and the south 25 feet of the north 53 feet of Lot 5, Block 88 of the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to the plat on file at the General Land Office of the State of Texas, said lots having street addresses of 506 East 7th Street, 514 East 7th Street, 700 Red River Street, 718 Red River Street, and 801 East 8th Street, Austin, Texas 78701, from The Salvation Army, for a total amount not to exceed \$15,067,682 including closing costs.

COUNCIL MEMBER R. ALTER'S OFFICE

1) What is the cost for the renovations under the current lease?

Under the current lease we have spent approximately \$300K. This the initial cost for immediate assessments, repairs, floor replacement, and painting to ensure the facility is safe and operational.

2) What are the renovation costs to operate the shelter beyond the current lease term?

If the facility is leased, we will be limited on what Building Services will be responsible for as there is a contractor on site and they will be responsible daily maintenance.

However, in the event we go beyond the lease term and it becomes city owned, Building Services has developed a 5 year plan to renovate and make major upgrades to the facility.

The total cost for the 5-year plan is approximately \$3M.

Item #8: Authorize execution of a contract for the Street Lighting Construction: Slaughter Lane, Howard Lane Corridors project with DeNucci Constructors, LLC., in the amount of \$3,136,057 plus a \$313,606 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,449,663.

COUNCIL MEMBER FUENTES' OFFICE

1) Please provide a map of the project locations for safety improvements in District 2.

The Slaughter Lane project is 3.56 miles long, from Riddle Road to Brandt Road. The project scope includes lighting installation of new wooden and steel utility poles with mast arm lighting, installing new lighting on existing utility poles, and new LED luminaries to replace existing high pressure sodium lights. A map is attached depicting District 2 limits on Slaughter Lane from Palace Parkway to Brandt Road, approximately 2.3 miles.

Transportation and Public Works Department

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CLMC992: Street Lighting Slaughter and Howard Lane Corridors

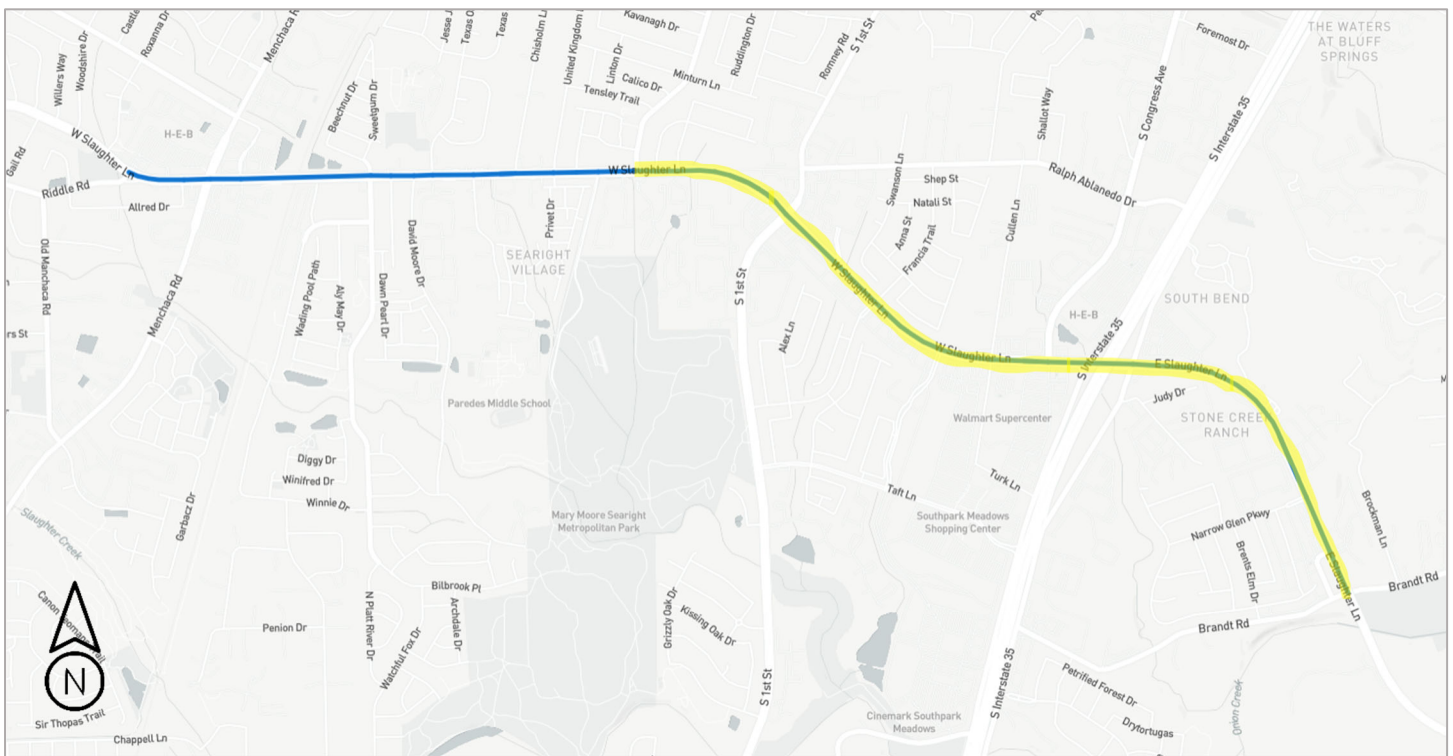
Contract Award to DeNucci Constructors, LLC

Slaughter Lane Street Lighting

Project Location: Slaughter Lane from Riddle Road to Brandt Road

Project Length: 3.56 miles

Project Scope: Roadway lighting installation including installing new wooden and steel utility poles with mast arm lighting, installing new lighting on existing utilities poles, and installing new LED luminaires to replace existing high pressure sodium lights.



District 2 Limits – Slaughter Lane from
Palace Pkwy to Brandt Rd, ~2.3 miles