



City Council Report

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To: City Council
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Subject: Mesa Fire and Medical Regional Dispatch and EOC (GMP No. 3)
City Project No. CP0340 (District 3)

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to present the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP No. 3) for the Mesa Fire and Medical Regional Dispatch and Emergency Operations Center (EOC), a Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) project.

GMP No. 3 includes an additional scope of work necessary to upgrade the Emergency Operations Center. Staff recommends that Council award a contract for completion of this project to Core Construction Services, Inc., in the amount of \$458,510.00, (GMP No. 3). There is no additional change order allowance with this GMP.

Background

On November 5, 2013, Mesa voters approved a Public Safety Bond Program that included a new fire and medical dispatch communications center. The existing dispatch center is located at East 6th Place, where fire and police dispatch are co-located. Associated with the new fire dispatch center is a new EOC. The existing EOC is located at 130 North Robson, in the Mesa Central Police Station, and is a 960-square foot room and executive conference room, with outdated technology and furniture. The existing facilities do not provide the City with redundancy and have reached capacity. On November 23, 2015, Council directed staff to purchase a 14.5-acre property located at 708 W. Baseline Road, which includes 4 existing buildings, parking facilities, security gates, and other existing features. The northeast building, known as Building 2, was selected for the new fire dispatch and EOC, due to its size, hardened structure and overall location on the site.

On August 9, 2016, the City of Mesa received approval of a grant from the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (SRPMIC) in the amount of \$725,000. On October 3, 2016, Council approved the allocation of \$500,180 to "furnish and equip the Mesa Fire and Medical Regional Dispatch Center and Emergency Operations Center." Prior to the grant, the existing equipment and furniture was to be moved from the existing EOC to the new facility with some basic technology enhancements provided by the new EOC. However, with the grant, the EOC can be equipped to function as a state-of-the-art facility with advanced video communication features.

Discussion

In June 2014, Staff received eleven (11) “Statements of Qualifications” from contractors proposing to act as the CMAR for this project. Based on an evaluation of these Statements of Qualifications, CORE Construction Services, Inc., was recommended as the most qualified CMAR. In order to meet the requested expedited schedule, this project is being delivered with at least three contract awards. GMP No. 1 was approved on June 20, 2016, to allow phase one construction to begin, which included interior demolition, roof improvements, and procurement of long lead items. On July 11, 2016, GMP No. 2 was approved to complete construction of the new dispatch area, EOC, training rooms, computer room, and other related tenant improvements. GMP No. 3 is required to provide key technology enhancements including state-of-the art software and related equipment. Staff has negotiated GMP No. 3 for this additional work, which is anticipated to take approximately 3 months to complete.

Alternatives

An alternative to the approval of GMP No. 3 would be to complete the project with the existing approved budget and not provide new technology and equipment for the EOC. This is not recommended since grant funds have been made available to provide for these key enhancements for this new facility.

Fiscal Impact

The total authorized amount recommended for this portion of the project is \$458,510. An additional change order allowance is not being requested with GMP No. 3. Council has previously approved an allowance for change orders in the amount of \$393,990, which will only be utilized for approved change orders on all three GMP's.

This project is funded by the 2008 and 2013 authorized Public Safety Bonds Program, and by the SRPMIC Grant.

Coordinated With

The City of Mesa Fire and Medical Department concurs with this recommendation.

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Statements of Qualifications Received for CMAR Services

Top Three Interviewed Firms in Final Rank Order

1. CORE Construction
2. D.L. Withers Construction
3. FCI Constructors

Other Firms Submitting Initially

- Haydon Building Corporation
- Okland Construction
- Gilbane Building Company
- Skanska USA Building
- Hensel Phelps
- Balfour Beatty Construction
- W.E. O'Neil Construction
- Wespac Construction