Memorandum



DATE November 1, 2013

CITY OF DALLAS

Members of the Budget, Finance and Audit Committee: Jerry R. Allen (Chair), Jennifer Staubach Gates (Vice Chair), Tennell Atkins, Sheffie Kadane, Philip T. Kingston

SUBJECT Upcoming Agenda Item - Mobile Concrete Master Agreement

The November 12th, 2013 City Council agenda includes an item authorizing a two-year master agreement for concrete totaling \$10,068,594 with the lowest bidders Ashley Concrete, LLC in the amount of \$6,691,294 and Argos Ready Mix (SC) Corp. in the amount of \$3,377,300.

The purpose of the master agreement is to establish firm pricing for goods, for a specific term, which are ordered on an as needed basis. The master agreement includes ready mix and volumetrically mixed concrete of various strengths and set times used for the different maintenance techniques applied. Flowable fill, a cement based product included in the master agreement, is also used by City departments to fill excavations as a pavement base material. This master agreement will provide concrete to Streets Services (STS), Water Utilities (DWU), Trinity Watershed Management (TWM) and Park and Recreation departments (PKR) for the uses outlined below.

Street Services utilizes the concrete to repair City-maintained infrastructure, primarily streets and alleys. Over the course of the master agreement, Street Services estimates using enough material to provide approximately 112,000 square yards of street repair; 12,000 square yards of alley repair; 144,000 linear feet of concrete curb and gutter; 112,000 square feet of sidewalk repair, and 160 lane miles of concrete street partial reconstruction.

Dallas Water Utilities performed over 4,300 street cuts last fiscal year. Concrete is used in water distribution and wastewater collection repair and inspection system activities (such as pipe point repairs, pipe replacement and lateral connections). Nearly all water and wastewater system repair activities require fast setting concrete; fast fix flowable fill material and / or ready mix to restore the street, alley, curb or side walk. The various concrete products are required to complete the repair jobs (providing cover and protection to pipe system), to ensure the ease of driving, prevent unsafe conditions, and restore structural integrity of surfaces.

Trinity Watershed Management utilizes this master agreement for performance of in house maintenance pertaining to flood operations for the Trinity River Levee System, four dams, and the infrastructure associated with public owned creeks and channels. This infrastructure is maintained in accordance with state and federal regulations. Concrete is used during the course of repairing concrete lined channels, preventative maintenance related to levee/bridge slopes, dam repairs, headwalls and flumes at storm sewer outlets, and repairs on flood maintenance roadways.

The Park and Recreation department is a small user of this contract and will use the agreement for various projects throughout the park system such as pads for picnic tables, benches and trash receptacles, light pole foundations, trails, and sidewalks.

Please contact me if you need additional information.

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