# City of Fort Worth, Texas Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 2024 ON-CALL SIGNS CONTRACT

## SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of Unit Price Contracts with Synergy Signs & Services, LLC and EAR Telecommunications, LLC Each in an Amount Up to \$1,250,000.00 for Task Order Construction Services for Projects Relating to Traffic Signs at Various Locations

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

- Authorize execution of a unit price contract with Synergy Signs & Services, LLC in an amount up to \$1,250,000.00 for task order construction services for the traffic signs installation of FY25 PAYGO ADA and Sidewalk project (City Project No. 105931), FY25 PAYGO School Maintenance project (City Project No. 105933), FY25 PAYGO Neighborhood Safety Signs and Markings project (City Project No. 105939), and FY25 PAYGO Neighborhood Traffic Calming project (City Project No. 105940) with four additional renewal options and a maximum contract duration of five years; and
- Authorize execution of a unit price contract with EAR Telecommunications, LLC in an amount up to \$1,250,000.00 for task order construction services for the traffic signs installation of FY25 PAYGO ADA and Sidewalk project (City Project No. 105931), FY25 PAYGO School Maintenance project (City Project No. 105933), FY25 PAYGO Neighborhood Safety Signs and Markings project (City Project No. 105939), and FY25 PAYGO Neighborhood Traffic Calming project (City Project No. 105940) with four additional renewal options and a maximum contract duration of five years.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

These contracts will provide for construction services by issuing task orders on an as-needed basis for projects related to traffic sign installations, linked to the Sidewalk Improvements Programmable project (City Project No. P00127) and Traffic System Maintenance Programmable project (City Project No. P0021). Traffic signs projects include pavement markings, speed cushions, and flashers to improve overall traffic and pedestrian safety within the City limits of Fort Worth. Each contract amount is capped at \$1,250,000.00. The contract duration is pegged to the expenditure of funds and each may be renewed up to four additional times under the same terms, conditions, and unit prices. The project was procured in a low bid format to determine unit prices to be paid when task orders are issued.

Notice of bids was published in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* on July 25, 2024 and August 1, 2024. On August 29, 2024, three companies submitted bids:

CONTRACTOR	BID
Synergy Signs & Services, LLC	\$2,422,012.25
EAR Telecommunications, LLC	\$3,186,109.00
Bean Electrical Inc.	\$7,995,523.95

Bean Electrical Inc. was deemed non-responsive because they failed to meet the MWBE goal.

The unit prices were compared to similar projects and were determined to be fair and competitive. Task orders will be paid at the established unit prices. Projects identified initially include: Traffic signs for neighborhoods, school zones, and thoroughfares.

Funding is budgeted in the General Capital Projects Fund for the purpose of funding the FY25 PAYGO ADA & Sidewalk, FY25 PAYGO School Maintenance, FY25 PAYGO Neighborhood Safety, and FY25 PAYGO Traffic Calming projects, as appropriated. This task order contract will serve current and future capital projects as-needed, and a funds availability verification will be performed by Transportation & Public Works Contract Compliance Managers prior to task order assignment.

The Business Equity Division placed a 17.47% business equity goal on this solicitation/contract. Synergy Signs & Services, LLC, has agreed/committed to utilize 18% business equity subcontractor participation for the scope of work, meeting the City's Business Equity Ordinance. Any changes in subcontractors will be reviewed by the Business Equity Division.

The Business Equity Division placed a 17.47% business equity goal on this solicitation/contract. EAR Telecommunications, LLC, will be

exceeding the goal at 83.83% as a Business Equity Prime and self-performing the scope of the services, meeting the City's Business Equity Ordinance. Any changes in subcontractors will be reviewed by the Business Equity Division.

The work will be located in ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

#### FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as previously appropriated, in the General Capital Projects Fund for the FY25 PAYGO ADA and Sidewalk, FY25 PAYGO School Maintenance, FY25 PGo Nghd Sfty Sgns & Mkgs and FY25 PayGo Neighborhood Traffl projects to support the approval of the above recommendations and execution of the contracts. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Transportation and Public Works Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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