

City of Fort Worth, Texas

# Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 01/23/24 M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 24-0051

LOG NAME: 21GEOTECH AND MATERIAL TESTING SERVICES FWCC

SUBJECT

(CD 9) Authorize Execution of a Contract with Alliance Geotechnical Group, Inc. for Geotechnical and Materials Testing Services in the Amount of \$442,855.00 for the Fort Worth Convention Center Renovation and Expansion Project

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of a contract with Alliance Geotechnical Group, Inc. for geotechnical and materials testing services in the amount of \$442,855.00 for the Fort Worth Convention Center Renovation and Expansion Project (City Project No. 102582).

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to recommend that the City Council authorize execution of a contract with Alliance Geotechnical Group, Inc. for geotechnical and materials testing services in the amount of \$442,855.00. The Property Management Department solicited firms to provide geotechnical and materials testing services for the Fort Worth Convention Center. A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was published for these services in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* on March 27, 2023 and April 3, 2023. The Property Management Department received written Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) on April 24, 2023 from the following nine firms:

- Alliance Geotechnical Group, Inc.
- Alpha Testing, Inc
- Braun Intertec Corporation
- ECS
- Ettl Engineers & Consultants
- Henley-Johnson & Associates
- Mas-Tek Engineering & Associates, Inc
- Riner Engineering, Inc.
- Raba Kistner, Inc.

Each firm's SOQ was evaluated based upon pre-established selection criteria such as qualification of personnel, experience, and availability of testing equipment. An inter-departmental committee selected the most qualified and recommends the following firm for contract approval: Alliance Geotechnical Group, Inc.

	Alliance	Alpha	Braun Intertec	ECS	ETTL	Henley Johnson	Mas-Tek	Riner Engineering	Raba Kistner
Cover Page	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Relevant Experience	29	28	23	27	23	16	28	16	23
Staffing & Qualifications	35	35	31	35	35	31	35	31	35
References	20	12	20	15	15	20	20	10	20
Supplemental Information	9	9	5	8	8	8	9	9	8
Diversity & Inclusion	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Overall Score	98	89	84	90	86	80	97	71	91

**Funding Sources** – Funding is budgeted in the Public Events Department's Certificate of Obligation 2023 Fund for the purpose of funding the ARPA FWCC Expansion & Prj Mgmt project, as appropriated. M&C 23-0250, April 11, 2023, appropriated funding from the 2023 Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation for this purpose.

**Waiver of Building Permits** - In accordance with the City Code of Ordinances, Part II, Chapter 7-1 Fort Worth Building Administrative Code, Section 109.2.1, Exception 2; "Work by non-City personnel on property under the control of the City of Fort Worth shall be exempt from the permit fees only if the work is for action under a contract that will be or has been approved by City Council with notes in the contract packages stating the fee is waived."

**Diversity and Inclusion Business Equity Office** - A waiver of the goal for Business Equity subcontracting requirements was requested, and

The Fort Worth Convention Center is to be located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 9 and will benefit all council districts.

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as previously appropriated, in the Certificate of Obligation 2023 Fund for the ARPA FWCC Expansion & Prj Mgmt project to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the contract. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Public Events Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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