

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 12/14/21

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 21-0963

LOG NAME: 13PCOOP BB 611-20 IRRIGATION IMPLEMENTATION ITS TD

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize the Execution of a Service Agreement with Interspec, LLC. Utilizing Buyboard Cooperative Contract 611-20 for Grounds Maintenance Software, Irrigation, Lighting Supplies and Installation in an Amount Up to \$185,000.00 for the Information Technology Solutions Department on Behalf of the Park & Recreation Department

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that City Council authorize the execution of a service agreement with Interspec, LLC. utilizing Buyboard Cooperative Contract 611-20 for Grounds Maintenance Software, Irrigation, Lighting Supplies and Installation in an amount up to \$185,000.00 for the Information Technology Solutions Department on Behalf of the Park & Recreation Department.

DISCUSSION:

The Park & Recreation Department (PARD) requested that the Purchasing Division assists with an agreement to provide improvements to the irrigation and lighting system including the software for city parks. Staff recommends executing a Purchase Agreement with Interspec, LLC for an amount up to \$185,000.00 using BuyBoard Contract 611-20.

The improvement is necessary since the existing irrigation controllers are more than twenty years old and are no longer supported by Motorola and cannot be repaired. This new software advances the capability of the Motorola System and runs on the current Microsoft OS. The upgrade will also allow for increased conservation of water through the Irrinet Control System (ICS) and will allow remote access from a computer or cell phone rather than requiring an individual to be on site for the manual transmissions

PARD will implement the upgrade of the current technology through a phased-in approach as part of ITS Capital program and funding. The first phase has been completed and included four locations (Haws Command Center, Rockwood Park, Harmon Park, and West Park). The second phase was funded as part of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 ITS Capital Program and provides for seven locations (Hallmark Park, Z Boaz Park, Diamond Hill Park, Lincoln Park, Sycamore Park, Handley Park, and Gateway Park). The third and final phase has been funded as part of the FY2022 ITS Capital Program for upgrades to Rolling Hills Park.

BuyBoard Contract No. 611-20 has a term through May 30, 2023. The Request for Offer for BuyBoard Contract No. 611-20 was published on February 16, 2017, and responses were opened on March 16, 2017. BuyBoard contracts offer fixed discounts. Staff reviewed the pricing and determined it to be fair and reasonable.

COOPERATIVE PURCHASE - State law provides that a local government purchasing an item under a cooperative purchasing agreement satisfies any state law requiring that the local government seek competitive bids for the purchase of the item. BuyBoard Contracts are competitively bid to increase and simplify the purchasing power of government entities across the State of Texas.

BUSINESS EQUITY - A M/WBE goal is not assigned when purchasing from an approved purchasing cooperative or public entity.

This project will serve 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 ITS Capital Fund for the FY21 PARD Irrinet project to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the agreement. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Information Technology Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

<u>Submitted for City Manager's Office by:</u>	Jay Chapa	5804
	Valerie R Washington	6192
<u>Originating Business Unit Head:</u>	Reginald Zeno	8517
	Kevin Gunn	2015
<u>Additional Information Contact:</u>	Cynthia Garcia	8525
	Taylor Dean	7648