City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 03/03/20 **M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 20-0123

LOG NAME: 20 2019CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES CONTRACTS

SUBJECT

Authorize Execution of Five-Year Contracts for Construction Inspection Services for Various Construction Projects with Foster CM Group, Inc., Freese and Nichols, Inc., Halff Associates, Inc., Lamb-Star Engineering, L.P., Lina T. Ramey and Associates, Inc., Multatech Engineering, Inc., Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc., CMT Engineering, Inc. d/b/a PaveTex, Raba Kistner, Inc., Teague Nall & Perkins, Inc., TranSystems Corporation dba TranSystems Corporation Consultants and VRX, Inc., with a Fee not to Exceed \$5,000,000.00 per Firm (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute individual, five-year contracts with Foster CM Group, Inc., Freese and Nichols, Inc., Halff Associates, Inc., Lamb-Star Engineering, L.P., Lina T. Ramey and Associates, Inc., Multatech Engineering, Inc., Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc., CMT Engineering, Inc. d/b/a PaveTex, Raba Kistner, Inc., Teague Nall & Perkins, Inc., TranSystems Corporation dba TranSystems Corporation Consultants and VRX, Inc., with a fee not to exceed \$5,000,000.00 per firm.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation and Public Works Department solicited firms to provide civil public works construction inspectors to inspect various City projects as a supplement to Staff in order to accommodate peak periods of construction.

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was published for these services in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in October 2019. On November 1, 2019, the Department received Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) for professional services from 12 firms for providing construction inspection services. Each firm's SOQ was evaluated based upon pre-established selection criteria including qualification of personnel, experience, performance on previous City contracts and availability. An inter-departmental committee deemed all firms qualified and recommends the following firms for contract approval: Foster CM Group, Inc., Freese and Nichols, Inc., Halff Associates, Inc., Lamb-Star Engineering, L.P., Lina T. Ramey and Associates, Inc., Multatech Engineering, Inc., Pape-Dawson Engineers, Inc., CMT Engineering, Inc. d/b/a PaveTex, Teague Nall & Perkins, Inc., Raba Kistner, Inc., TranSystems Corporation dba TranSystems Corporation Consultants and VRX, Inc.

Based on current workloads, the Transportation and Public Works Department projects that approximately 1.5 billion dollars of infrastructure construction will be inspected over the next five years which includes developer-led projects. Based on current staffing levels, we anticipate that approximately 30 million dollars will be expended for contracted inspection services over the same period. These agreements will not guarantee any specific amount of work or payment to any contractor. As inspection work is needed for a project, a work order will be issued along with funding for specific work being identified and committed at that time. Funding for the construction inspection services projects may be provided through various capital project funding sources, including City Bond Programs.

The Office of Business Diversity: A waiver of the goal for MBE/SBE subcontracting requirements was requested by the Department and approved by the OBD, in accordance with the BDE Ordinance, because the purchase of goods or services is from sources where subcontracting or supplier opportunities are negligible. Additionally, Lamb-Star Engineering, L.P., Lina T. Ramey & Associates, Inc., Multatech Engineering, Inc., d/b/a Multatech and VRX, Inc. are certified M/WBE firms.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds will be available in the current capital budgets, as appropriated, in the various funds for Transportation & Public Works Capital Projects. The Transportation & Public Works Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds prior to an expenditure being made.

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