

Consider Approval of a Resolution Award RFQ for Professional Consulting Engineering Services

City Council Meeting

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Purpose

- To approve a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate a contract with Ardurra Engineering for Professional Consulting Engineering Services, and
- To allow the City Manager to negotiate a contract with another engineering firm should negotiations with Ardurra Engineering fail

Purpose

- Professional engineering services are used:
- By the Planning and Zoning Department for plan and plat reviews, zoning, impact fees, and floodplain development
- By the Public Works Department for capital improvements, street maintenance, stormwater, flooding, surveying, architectural, structural concerns, traffic studies, rate studies, GIS mapping, and other special projects

Purpose

- A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was advertised for thirty days, and the city received responses from 10 firms
- Each company's capabilities, competence, and qualifications were considered, and references were checked
- After the review, 3 companies were selected for interviews:
 - Ardurra Engineering
 - 6S Engineering
 - Bain Medina Bain Engineering and Surveying

Purpose

- After careful consideration by the Fire Chief, the Planning and Zoning Director, the Public Works Director, and the Assistant Public Works Director, it was recommended that the city select Ardurra Engineering for all services required
- Ardurra is the current city engineering consultant
- If an agreement can't be made with Ardurra, then the committee recommends 6S Engineering as second most qualified choice and Bain Medina Bain as the third most qualified choice

Fiscal Impact

- Texas Government Code, Section 2254.004. Contract for Professional Services of Architect, Engineer, or Surveyor states:
 - (a) In procuring architectural, engineering, or land surveying services, a governmental entity shall:
 - (1) first select the most highly qualified provider of those services on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualifications; and
 - (2) then attempt to negotiate with that provider a contract at a fair and reasonable price.

Fiscal Impact

- Gov't Code, Section 2254.004. further states:
 - (b) If a satisfactory contract cannot be negotiated with the most highly qualified provider of architectural, engineering, or land surveying services, the entity shall:
 - (1) formally end negotiations with that provider;
 - (2) select the next most highly qualified provider; and
 - (3) attempt to negotiate a contract with that provider at a fair and reasonable price.

Fiscal Impact

- Gov't Code, Section 2254.004. further states:
 - (c) The entity shall continue the process described in Subsection (b) to select and negotiate with providers until a contract is entered into.”
- The City Manager will attempt to negotiate a contract with Ardurra Engineering on the fees for services

Fiscal Impact

- Should negotiations with Ardurra fail to produce an acceptable agreement for the City of Leon Valley, City Manager would then be authorized to negotiate with 6S Engineering for their services, and so on
- Funds for engineering services are budgeted each year by the City Council

Recommendation

- Staff recommends:
- Approval of the Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into contract negotiations with Ardurra Engineering
- Authorize the City Manager to enter into contract negotiations with other engineering firms, if needed