



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

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Item Creation Date: 7/10/2020

Q29204 - Environmental On-Call Professional Services - ORDINANCE

Agenda Item#:

Background:

Request for Qualifications received December 12, 2019 for S33-Q29204 – Approve an ordinance authorizing the appropriation of \$7,500,000.00 out of HAS Renewal and Replacement Fund (8010) and approve awarding a professional services contract to Freese and Nichols, Inc. in the maximum contract amount not to exceed \$7,500,000.00 to provide Environmental On-Call Professional Services for the Houston Airport System.

Specific Explanation:

The Director of Houston Airport System and the Chief Procurement Officer recommend that City Council approve an ordinance authorizing the appropriation of \$7,500,000.00 out of HAS Renewal and Replacement Fund and approve awarding a **three-year professional services contract, with two one-year options to Freese and Nichols, Inc.** in the maximum contract amount not to exceed **\$7,500,000.00** to provide Environmental On-Call Professional Services for the Houston Airport System. The Director of Houston Airport System may terminate this contract at any time upon thirty (30) days written notice to the contractor.

The scope of work requires the contractor to provide the skills and expertise in environmental services (e.g. Air Quality Assessments and Permitting) to address airport environmental issues at George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH), William P. Hobby Airport (HOU) and Ellington Airport (EFD).

The contractor will be required to provide a variety of the services including but not limited to the following:

- Air quality Assessment and Permitting
- Asbestos, Lead-Based Paint and Mold Consulting Services
- Aviation noise services
- Water quality assessment, permitting and reporting
- Indoor Air Quality permitting and investigations
- Mitigation of Leaking Petroleum Storage Tanks (LPSTs)
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and General Conformity review of capital development projects.
- Ecological and biological resources
- Emergency response coordination, sampling, and oversight
- Sustainability Master Plan (Services)
- Environmental Grants & Funding
- Environmental Management Information Systems (EMS)
- Wetlands Study/Delineation and Wildlife Management

The Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was advertised in accordance with the requirements of the State of Texas bid laws. As a result submissions were received from: Apex, APTIM, Burns & McDonnell, Freese and Nichols, Inc., Jacobs Consulting, InControl Tech Intertek PSI, LT Environmental, Michael Baker, RS&H, Terracon, and Tetra Tech. The evaluation committee consisted of members from the Houston Airport System, General Services, and Houston Health Departments. The submissions were evaluated based upon the following criteria:

1. Responsiveness
2. Technical Competence

After a detailed evaluation Freese and Nichols, Inc. is best qualified to perform the required services as outlined in the RFQ.

DBE Subcontracting:

The RFQ was advertised with a 35% goal for DBE participation. Freese and Nichols, Inc. has designated the below named company as its certified DBE subcontractor(s). The following percentages represent the contractor's current commitment for services under this contract.

Vendor Name	Type of Work	Percentage
Terra Nova Consulting, Inc.	Site assessment and Remediation Services	12
Hollaway Environmental & Communications	NEPA, Public Involvement and Website Design	5
Blue Water Environmental	Asbestos/Lead Paint/HazMat Surveys	5

DBE Vendor Environmental	ASBESTOS/LEAD/PAINT/HAZMAT SURVEYS	5
Xenco Laboratory Services	Environmental Laboratory Services	8
MBCO Engineering, LLC	Surveying	5

Hire Houston First:


The proposed procurement may be funded by a federal grant; therefore, exempt from "Hire Houston First" (HHF) ordinance that promotes economic opportunity for Houston Businesses and supports job creation.

Pay or Play Program:

The proposed contract requires compliance with the City's 'Pay or Play' ordinance regarding health benefits for employees of City contractors. In this case, the contractor will provide health benefits to eligible employees in compliance with City policy.

Fiscal Note:

Funding for this item is included in the FY2021 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in the Financial Policies.

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Jerry Adams, Chief Procurement Officer
 Finance/Strategic Procurement Division

Department Approval Authority

Estimated Spending Authority			
Department Name	FY2021	Out-Years	Total
Houston Airport System	\$1,500,000.00	\$6,000,000.00	\$7,500,000.00

Amount of Funding:

\$7,500,000.00

HAS Renewal and Replacement Fund
 Fund No.: 8010

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Affidavit of Ownership	Backup Material
Fair Campaign	Backup Material
Taxes	Backup Material
Fomr B	Backup Material
DBE Documents	Backup Material
DBE Percentage	Backup Material
Funding	Backup Material
Funding Backup for Fund 8001	Backup Material
Environmental Consulting Services Agreement	Contract/Exhibit
Ordinance	Ordinance/Resolution/Motion
Coversheet	Signed Cover sheet