



City Council Agenda Item

City Council Meeting Date: November 19, 2024

TO: Dean Albro, City Manager

FROM: Michael W. Luther, Public Works Director
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SUBJECT: Award of Professional Services Agreement for Project Management Services to Z Consulting Group, Inc. for the Land Mobile Radio Project

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the City Council award the Professional Services Agreement (Agreement) for Project Management Services for RFP No. 3016 – Land Mobile Radio System (Project) to Z Consulting Group, Inc., (Consultant), in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 (Attachment 1); and authorize the City Manager to execute the necessary agreement.

Background:

Staff contracted with Consultant in June 2022 to conduct a comprehensive system needs evaluation and to assist with the preparation of technical specifications and performance measures for the preparation of bid documents. The RFP was noticed and advertised by the Purchasing Division on November 14, 2022, and closed on March 15, 2023. In March of 2024 City Council awarded the Project to EF Johnson Technologies, Inc. (EF Johnson) the prime contractor for the Project. This project replaces the City's aging radio network system which provides the essential communication for our first responders and other City crews.

Discussion:

Since the award the Consultant has worked closely with City staff and EF Johnson on finalizing the Detailed Design Review (DDR). This is the final design of the radio network prior to moving into the construction phase. The Consultant's current contract includes scope of work up through design, but not including construction phases of work.

Z Consulting will provide the technical implementation oversight during construction of the Project that is needed as part of this Agreement.

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Fiscal Impact:

As part of the Project award on March 19, 2024, supplemental appropriations were identified and approved in Resolution No. 6640(24) to fully fund the Project. The \$150,000 for this Agreement was identified in the Project budget presented at that meeting. Project costs are identified as follows:

Consultant Services (pre-const.)	\$100,000
Consultant Services (construction)	\$150,000
Construction Contract	\$3,976,569
10% Contingency	\$400,000
Total	\$4,626,569

No additional funding beyond what has already been approved for the Project is required for this Agreement.

Conclusion:

The radio network is a valuable asset needed to provide a communication lifeline for all City field workers but especially for our first responders. Without it, they are unable to quickly and efficiently protect the residents of the community. Awarding this Agreement will enable staff to better insure the Project is constructed in accordance with Project specifications.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael W. Luther, Public Works Director

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Dean Albro, City Manager

Attachment: Agreement (Z Consulting)