City of New Braunfels, Texas

550 Landa Street New Braunfels, TX

Legislation Text

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SUBJECT:

Approval of the issuance of an invitation for competitive sealed proposals for the remodel of Fire Station #1 since the City Council finds that this delivery method will provide the best value to the City.

BACKGROUND / RATIONALE:

The most recent addition to the Fire Station #1 was built in 1988. There have been numerous modifications to the facility through the years in effort to accommodate the additional staff & services required to service the growing community. The current configuration does not comply with current building codes & is not conducive to efficient staff operations.

In July 2015, the City of New Braunfels contracted with the architectural firm Brown Reynolds Watford (BRW) to evaluate the condition of the existing building & develop an improvement plan. With the budget in mind the design team has focused on issues relating to life safety, structural integrity, and accessibility deficiencies in the building.

The construction documents have been completed along with an updated construction cost estimate of approximately \$530,000. In response to the cost estimate being higher than the project budget several of the proposed improvements have been incorporated as additive alternates.

City staff recommends issuing an invitation for a Competitive Sealed Proposal (CSP) as the procurement method for the contract to construct this project. The CSP method allows the City to evaluate the most qualified contractors and the best value for the project. The evaluation of the proposals received by City staff will be presented to City Council for direction regarding the approval of a contract for construction.

ADDRESSES A NEED/ISSUE IN A CITY PLAN OR COUNCIL PRIORITY:

X	Yes	City Plan/Council Priority:	Strategic Priorities: (Infrastructure) - Continue an
			ongoing program of infrastructure construction and
			maintenance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The City's budget for this project has been \$633,943 allocated from 2007, 2009 and 2012 certificates of obligations. To date, \$119,600 has been encumbered for professional services to evaluate the building & design the proposed improvements. The remaining budget for professional services, construction, testing and project management is \$514,343.

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the issuance of an invitation for competitive sealed proposals for the remodel of Fire Station #1 since the City Council finds that this delivery method will provide the best value to the City.