



## Legislation Text

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**File #:** 21-5492, **Version:** 1

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**Department:** Toll Road Authority

**Department Head/Elected Official:** Roberto Treviño, P.E., Executive Director

**Regular or Supplemental RCA:** Regular RCA

**Type of Request:** Negotiation

**Project ID (if applicable):** N/A

**Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable):** Asakura Robinson Company LLC

**MWDBE Participation (if applicable):** N/A

**Request Summary (Agenda Caption):**

Request for approval to negotiate an Agreement with Asakura Robinson Company LLC to provide landscaping design at the Hardy Toll Road and George Bush Intercontinental Airport Houston (IAH) Connector (Precinct 1).

**Background and Discussion:**

During the freeze event in February 2021 the non-native eucalyptus trees did not survive and were blowing onto the toll road which had to be removed for safety reasons. More than 600 trees from the 2.13 acres at the interchange were removed. The resulting Agreement with Asakura Robinson Company LLC (a DBE/HUB), will provide landscaping design that will replace the removed non-native trees with native species of trees and wildflowers to improve the sustainability of the area naturally and aesthetically. The design plan will maintain our landscape and storm water quality compliance, require less maintenance in the long term, and be more resilient to changes in local weather.

**Expected Impact:**

The landscape architecture firm will provide landscaping design services to improve the surrounding area naturally and aesthetically.

**Alternative Options:**

No other recommended solution for this identified need.

**Alignment with Goal(s):**

- ☐ Justice and Safety
- ☐ Economic Opportunity
- ☐ Housing
- ☐ Public Health
- ☒ Transportation
- ☐ Flooding
- ☐ Environment

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Prior Court Action (if any): None.

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken

**Location:**

Address (if applicable):

Precinct(s): Precinct 1

Fiscal and Personnel Summary				
Service Name	Roadway & Facility Infrastructure Maintenance	FY 21-22	Estimates	
			FY 22	Next 3 FYs
<b>Incremental Expenditures</b>				
Labor Expenditures		-	-	-
Non-Labor Expenditures		-	-	-
<b>Total Incremental Expenditures</b>		-	-	-
<b>Funding Sources</b> (General Fund, PIC Fund, Debt or CP, Grants, or Other - Please Specify)				
Existing Budget	HCTRA O&M fund	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>Total Current Budget</b>		-	-	-
Additional Budget Requested		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>Total Additional Budget Requested</b>		-	-	-
<b>Total Funding Sources</b>		-	-	-
<b>Personnel</b> (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)				
Current Position Count for Service		-	-	-
Additional Positions Requested		-	-	-
<b>Total Personnel</b>		-	-	-

**Anticipated Implementation Date:** Pending authorization to negotiate and approval of contract award.**Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note:** Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item**Contact(s) name, title, department:** Nicole Stutz, Assistant Director, Harris County Toll Road Authority**Attachments (if applicable):** None