



Legislation Text

File #: 24-2576, **Version:** 1

Department: Purchasing

Department Head/Elected Official: DeWight Dopslauf

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Supplemental RCA

Type of Request: Contract - Award

Project ID (if applicable): 230436

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): WSP USA Inc.

MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable): 15%

MWDBE Current Participation (if applicable): N/A

Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: N/A - Goal is not 0% and is listed above

Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request by the Office of the Purchasing Agent for approval of an award on the basis of successful negotiations with the best evaluation and that the County Judge execute an agreement with WSP USA Inc. in the amount of \$2,000,000 for professional architectural and/or engineering services to provide staff augmentation services for the development and implementation of roads, bridges, drainage, transportation, parks, and trails projects for the Office of the County Engineer for the period of April 23, 2024 - April 22, 2025 with four (4) one-year renewal options (230436), MWDBE Contracted Goal: 15%.

Background and Discussion:

The Harris County Engineering Department (HCED) is responsible for delivering a various types of engineering projects across the county, serving each Commissioner's precinct and other county departments as requested. The projects range from transportation, drainage, housing, public health, architectural etc. This contract will supplement projects related to Roads, Bridges, Drainage, Transportation, Parks, and Trails. This staff augmentation contract will improve organization efficiency, optimize project delivery, and maintain project schedules.

Expected Impact:

HCED will improve its overall operations by filling staffing gaps, maintaining construction schedules, and enhancing project delivery operations.

Alternative Options:

HCED can explore alternative staffing options, however this will impact project schedules and their deliveries.

Alignment with Goal(s):

☐ Justice and Safety

- ☐ Economic Opportunity
- ☐ Housing
- ☐ Public Health
- ☐ Transportation
- ☐ Flooding
- ☐ Environment
- ☒ Governance and Customer Service

Prior Court Action (if any):

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken
11/14/23	220	Advertisement of Contract
1/30/24	401	Authorization to negotiate

Location:

Address (if applicable): N/A

Precinct(s): Countywide

Fiscal and Personnel Summary				
Service Name	Engineering			
	Current Fiscal Year Cost			Annual Fiscal Cost
	Labor	Non-Labor	Total	Recurring Expenses
Funding Sources				
Existing Budget				
Bonds	\$	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Current Budget	\$	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$
Additional Budget Request (<i>Requires Fiscal Review Request Form</i>)				
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Additional Budget Request	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Funding Request	\$	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$
Personnel (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)				
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-	-
Additional Positions Request	-	-	-	-
Total Personnel	-	-	-	-

Anticipated Court Date: 4/23/2024

Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date): N/A

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

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Attachments (if applicable): Letter, Agreement