

September 22, 2021

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) informed the Department of Public Works that the Fitzhugh Bridge, south of Fair Park, TxDOT Bridge No. 18-057-09F43-600-12, had a critical rating of four for the superstructure according to the latest bi-annual bridge inspection, requiring immediate repairs; and

WHEREAS, a lane closure on the Fitzhugh Bridge was implemented to reduce the loading on the damaged steel structure making it safe for public use; and

WHEREAS, around the same time the Department of Public Works, addressing concerns the Dallas Zoo had on the Marsalis Bridge, TxDOT Bridge No. 18-057-09M19-00-001, located over the ticketing area of the zoo, had their bridge consultant, Wiss, Janney, Elstner, Inc. (WJE), perform an inspection outside of the normal TxDOT bi-annual inspection; and

WHEREAS, during the inspection, WJE found damage to the bearings on the Marsalis Bridge, necessitating emergency repairs; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works procured emergency design services with WJE, to develop plans and specifications needed to bid out both steel bridges as part of the same emergency procurement; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works sent plans and specification to five contractors known to have experience in steel bridge repairs, and one bid was received; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works determined that reasonable effort was made to generate competition for competitive bids, resulting in only one bid being received; and

WHEREAS, Gibson Associates, Inc. was the only bid received on August 6, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$117,000.00; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to ratify an emergency construction services contract with Gibson & Associates, Inc., the only bidder for emergency bridge repairs on the Fitzhugh and Marsalis Bridges, in an amount not to exceed \$117,000.00.

Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to ratify an emergency construction services contract for emergency bridge repairs on the Fitzhugh Bridge south of Fair Park and Marsalis Bridge over the ticketing area of the Dallas Zoo, with Gibson & Associates, Inc., only bidder, in an amount not to exceed \$117,000.00.

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SECTION 2. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds in an amount not to exceed \$117,000.00 to Gibson & Associates, Inc. in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract from the Street and Alley Improvement Fund, Fund 0715, Department PBW, Unit W661, Activity BRAM, Object 3210, Program PBCUR039, Encumbrance/Contract No. CX-PBW-2020-00017152, Vendor 230445.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.