



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Transportation & Infrastructure

AGENDA DATE: June 28, 2023

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All

DEPARTMENT: Department of Public Works

EXECUTIVE: Dr. Robert Perez

SUBJECT

Authorize Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to extend the service price agreement for one year with Good Earth Corporation for grounds maintenance services of Texas Department of Transportation properties within the corporate boundaries of the city of Dallas for the Department of Public Works for an extension from June 13, 2023 to June 13, 2024 - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

BACKGROUND

This Supplemental Agreement will provide for continuous ground maintenance services for Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) rights-of-way within the corporate boundaries of the city of Dallas. This includes TxDOT properties such as highway medians, parkways, side medians, triangles, islands, interchange islands, shoulders, landscaped areas, and other TxDOT rights-of-way. The TxDOT landscaped areas provides improvements such as plant materials and irrigation along TxDOT rights-of-way to establish a higher level of visual appeal along the corridors within Dallas city limits increasing aesthetic appeal citywide.

The service price agreement includes all labor, materials, and equipment necessary to provide complete and continuous maintenance of all trees, shrubs, ground coverings, and landscaped areas. Services provided by the awarded vendor throughout the term of the project include, but are not limited to; mowing of 112,140 acres, litter removal and disposal from 264,384 acres, line trimming, pruning, de-weeding, blade edging, and herbicide treatments.

The agreement was structured in three sections, East, West, and landscaped areas. The East section and the West section both are scheduled to be maintained every 21-28 days, weather permitting, during mow season. Section three consists of landscaped areas along TxDOT right-of-way citywide, maintenance will be provided in these landscaped areas year-round.

On September 22, 2010, the City Council authorized a landscape maintenance agreement with TxDOT for the City to provide supplemental mowing in the parkways and maintain median landscape improvements along U.S. Highway 75 from Spur 366 (Woodall Rodgers Freeway) to Interstate

Highway 635 within TxDOT's right-of-way. TxDOT has removed the previous amenities and landscaping on North Central Expressway and replaced with native grasses which are currently maintained by the Department of Public Works.

On November 10, 2015, the City Council authorized a living wage policy that requires contractors to pay their employees a "living wage" rate as established annually by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Living Wage Calculator for Dallas County by Resolution No. 15-2141. The current calculated living wage during the solicitation process of this agreement is \$11.15; the selected vendor meets this requirement.

On November 13, 2019, the City Council authorized execute a service price agreement with Good Earth Corporation for grounds maintenance services of Texas Department of Transportation properties within the corporate boundaries of the city of Dallas for the Department of Public Works for a term of three years by Resolution No. 19-1805.

In accordance with Administrative Directive 4-05, 9.2.1 B-6, a master agreement awarded as an ID/IQ Agreement shall be authorized by a City Council resolution and be established for a set term plus one six-month extension, which may be authorized by AA. Extensions greater than six months, must be authorized by a City Council resolution.

The Office of Procurement Services, in coordination with the Department of Public Works, anticipates re-advertising a new solicitation within the next six months.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On November 10, 2015, the City Council authorized a three-year service contract for median maintenance and mowing of Texas Department of Transportation rights-of-way within the corporate boundaries of Dallas with Good Earth Corporation by Resolution No. 15-2050.

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FISCAL INFORMATION

No cost consideration to the City.

OWNER

Good Earth Corporation

Kevin Points, President

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