



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: November 17, 2009

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral: Honorable Don Samuels, Chair Public Safety & Regulatory Services Committee

Subject: **Emergency Operations and Training Facility – Contract Amendment No. 2**

Recommendation:

- a) Authorize proper City Officers to proceed with the design and construction of three (3) apparatus bays to be built as an addition to the newly constructed Emergency Operations Training Facility.
- b) Authorize proper City Officers to accept Federal Appropriations in the amount of \$750,000 and to execute any agreements associated with the appropriation.
- c) Authorize proper City Officers to amend the existing contract (Amendment #2) with Wold Architects and Engineers (C-25892) to be increased by \$105,000 for a revised contract amount of \$517,543 to provide design services required for the addition of the apparatus bays. The cost of these design services has been accounted for within the budget for this Project (Fund 04100 Department 9010923 Project Number 513007 CFIR01), and therefore no additional appropriation is required.

Previous Directives:

- October 10, 2008 - Authorize proper City Officials to design and construct the Strategic Information Center that will meet the long term needs of the City for an amount not to exceed \$1,599,000. Authorize the inclusion of the Strategic Information Center (MPD05) into the Emergency Operations Facility project (FIR01) at the Fridley Fire Training Campus.
- October 10, 2008 - Authorize proper City officials execute Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. C-25892, with Wold Architects and Engineers. The total amount of Change Order No. 1 is \$107,543. Therefore, the current contract amount of \$305,000 would be increased for a revised contract amount of \$412,543.
- April 4, 2008 - Authorize proper city officials to negotiate and execute and Architectural and Engineering Design Services Agreement with Wold Architects and Engineers for the Emergency Operations Training Facility in the amount of \$305,000.

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Permanent Review Committee (PRC) Approval NA Date _____

Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan Approval NA Date _____

Policy review Group (PRG) Approval NA Date _____

Financial Impact

Action requires use of contingency or reserves

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification: Not Applicable
City Goals: Goal #1
Comprehensive Plan: Comprehensive Plan Chapters 1.4, 1.9, 1.12, 2.9, 5.5, 7.1, 7.6, 7.8, 7.9, 7.12, 9.17.
Zoning Code: Not Applicable

Background/Supporting Information

The City of Minneapolis is proceeding with the construction of the Emergency Operations and Training Facility (EOTF) to be located at 25 E. 37th Street, in Minneapolis. The EOTF is the 4th phase of a multi-phase development to meet the training needs of the Minneapolis Fire Department and the Emergency Operations needs for City of Minneapolis.

The initial build-out for the facility houses training/classroom space, staff offices, and support and common spaces. The training/classroom spaces would be design with collapsible wall systems in order to be utilized as an interim Emergency Operations Center (EOC) until a permanent EOC can be built when additional funding is available. This portion of the project will be completed in the spring of 2010.

On October 10, 2008 the City Council authorized the inclusion of the Strategic Information Center with the construction of the EOTF at the Fridley Fire Training Campus. Council also authorized additional design fees for planning and design development of an additional apparatus area to be added on to the EOTF, at a later date.

Consequently the current design of the EOTF was planned to accommodate a potential for six (6) future apparatus bays for storage of emergency response vehicles, and specialty equipment for the City and the Metro West region of Homeland Security. In addition, it may also allow for the vacation and sale of Old Fire Station #14, located at 2002 Lowry Avenue North.

An estimated design and construction budget of \$1,550,000 will allow for the construction of three (3) double depth apparatus bays for the storage of Fire and Rescue equipment, and also interior materials storage and work areas. Additional funding is currently being pursued by The

City of Minneapolis Emergency Preparedness Department to add up to three (3) additional apparatus bays, for a total of six (6) bays, for storage of more vehicles, possibly including US Coast Guard Emergency Response equipment.

Federal Appropriations in the amount of \$750,000 have been approved by Congress and signed into law by the President (October 28, 2009) for this project. These appropriations were earmarked by Congressman Keith Ellison for this purpose. These funds are expected to be available in early 2010. Due to economical design and market conditions, there is \$800,000 remaining in the project budget that would be available to fund the first three (3) apparatus bays. The balance in combination with the Federal appropriation would provide \$1,550,000 in available funding. This would be an adequate amount to fund the design and construction of three (3) apparatus bays. If approved for this use the construction of the apparatus bays would be bid as a separate project due to the nature of the work and to take advantage of competitive bidding with current market conditions. Construction would be scheduled to begin in April of 2010 and would be planned to be completed by September of 2010.

Recommendation

The Fire Department and Emergency Preparedness request that the City Council authorize proper City Officers to design and construct three (3) apparatus bays as a planned addition to the Emergency Operations Facility. Funding for this improvement will use remaining \$800,000 of previous capital budget appropriations (FIR01 and MPD05) and Federal appropriations in the amount of \$ 750,000 for a total amount of \$1,550,000.

Therefore, authorize proper City Officers to proceed with the design and construction of three (3) apparatus bays to be built as an addition to the newly constructed Emergency Operations Training Facility.

Authorize proper City Officers to accept Federal Appropriations for in the amount of \$750,000 and to execute any agreements associated with the appropriation.

Authorize proper City Officers to amend the existing contract with Wold Architects and Engineers (C-25892) to be increased by \$105,000 for a revised contract amount of \$517,543 to provide for the additional design services required for the addition of the apparatus bays. The cost of these services has been accounted for within the budget for this Project (Fund 04100 Department 9010923 Project Number 513007 CFIR01), and therefore no additional appropriation is required.