



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Aviation Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Jesus H. Saenz Jr.

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

Construction Contract for the Emergency Response Road Reconstruction -- Package 4 Project at the San Antonio International Airport

**SUMMARY:**

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsive bid and awarding the construction contract for the Emergency Response Road Reconstruction -- Package 4 project to Flatiron Constructors, Inc. (Flatiron) in an amount not to exceed \$7,480,215.00 for the construction of critical areas of the emergency response road at the San Antonio International Airport. The project is funded by Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Infrastructure Grant (AIG) funds in the amount of \$5,491,241.00 and Airport Interim Financing funds in the amount of \$1,988,974.00.

This action will increase the total project budget from \$6.7 million to \$9.6 million and amend the FY 2023 – FY 2028 Capital Improvement Program to accept additional AIG funds in the amount of \$ 474,241.00 and appropriate an additional \$2,476,157.98 from Airport Improvement and Contingency Funds.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The airport response emergency road (also known as the perimeter road) is located in the airfield area and is utilized as a means to keep non-essential vehicle traffic out of the aircraft movement areas and runway and taxiway system. The condition of road requires reconstruction in areas and has been phased to optimize FAA funding when available and minimize impact on airfield operations. Previous work on this road reconstructed more than 2,000 linear feet of road.

The project will reconstruct the road at three locations: from the M7 apron to the Airport Operations Area Access Gate 273; from the Valero Hangar apron to the apron at the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) building; and, from the apron at the ARFF building to the taxiway at the Skyplace hanger. The project will also install new pavement markings, road signs, and drainage pipes. Work will be performed while maintaining aircraft access to the tenants and maintaining service road traffic during construction.

#### Procurement of Services

This project was advertised on June 3, 2022, for construction bids in the San Antonio Hart Beat, City's website, Texas Electronic State Business Daily, TVSA and through electronic bidding website CivCast. Bids were opened on July 8, 2022, and three bids were received. Of these, the lowest and second lowest bidders were deemed nonresponsive due to not meeting the minimum requirements of the project thereby making Flatiron Constructors, Inc. the lowest responsive bidder as indicated in the attached bid summary matrix.

The solicitation was released under the FAA Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program, therefore, the DBE Program requirements of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulation Part 26 applies. The goal is set based on relative availability of certified DBE firms in relation to the universe in specific trades in the primary market. The primary market is San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area however participation is open for all DBE certified firms from anywhere in Texas or the nation. The DBE Liaison Officer for the Aviation Department reviewed and approved the DBE Good Faith Effort Plan of Flatiron Constructors Inc. The firm exceeded the goal of 10% participation.

This construction contract was developed utilizing the low qualified bid process. Therefore, a Contracts Disclosure Form is not required.

#### **ISSUE:**

This action will increase the total project budget from \$6.7 million to \$9.6 million and amend the FY 2023 – FY 2028 Capital Improvement Program to accept additional AIG funds in the amount of \$ 474,241.00 and appropriate an additional \$2,476,157.98 from Airport Improvement and Contingency Funds.. The additional funds are required as the FAA is requiring airports fund the project contingency at 100% up-front and seek reimbursement for the FAA's share at project close-out. This contract action is awarded to the third lowest bidder who was deemed the lowest responsive bidder.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

City Council could choose not to award this contract and require staff to re-release this project. Considering the additional time required for another solicitation process, this would adversely affect the completion of the project and potentially increase the project costs.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This ordinance authorizes an amount of \$7,480,215.00 payable to Flatiron for the Emergency Response Road Reconstruction -- Package 4. The project is funded by Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Infrastructure Grant (AIG) funds in the amount of \$5,491,241.00 and Airport Interim Financing funds in the amount of \$1,988,974.00. This action will increase the total project budget from \$6.7 million to \$9.6 million and amend the FY 2023 – FY 2028 Capital Improvement Program to accept additional AIG funds in the amount of \$ 474,241.00 and appropriate an additional \$2,476,157.98 from Airport Improvement and Contingency Funds.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends awarding the construction contract to Flatiron Contractors, Inc. for the Emergency Response Road Reconstruction – Package 4 project at the San Antonio International Airport.