



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting September 29, 2020

DATE: September 29, 2020

TO: Peter Zaroni, City Manager

FROM: Billy Delgado, Emergency Management Coordinator
BillyD@cctexas.com
(361) 826-1106

Kim Baker, Director of Contracts and Procurement
KimB2@cctexas.com
(361) 826-3169

Disaster Recovery and Emergency Response Grant Services

CAPTION:

Motion authorizing a two-year service agreement with three one-year options to MPACT Strategic Consulting LLC of Houston, TX, in amount up to \$100,000.00 for each year and a total amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 including the renewal options for professional services with assistance in disaster recovery and emergency response grant services to be used on an as needed basis, with funding dependent on grant awards.

SUMMARY:

This motion authorizes a two-year service agreement with MPACT Strategic Consulting LLC to assist with disaster recovery and emergency response grant services to be used on an as needed basis. These services include document review of current City disaster recovery and emergency response practices, analyzing data, and providing consultative services to maximize grant funding awarded to the City from federal and state agencies.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The City of Corpus Christi is a coastal town with a history of being impacted by natural disasters such as hurricanes and coastal flooding. In the past five years, the City has experienced three federally declared disasters that include the 2015 Texas May Flood Event, 2017 Hurricane Harvey, and 2020 COVID-19 pandemic. A potential fourth

federally declared disaster could include Hurricane Hanna that is pending presidential confirmation. As a result of these major events, the City is seeking professional consultative services to maximize grant funding awarded to the City from federal and state agencies. This includes document review of current City disaster recovery and emergency response practices. Additionally, after a review of Hurricane Harvey documentation and the City's close out process, the audit revealed that the City did not maximize receiving grant awards on all available funding. This service agreement will allow the City to maximize on all available resources which will lead to a more efficient recovery efforts.

The Contracts and Procurement Department conducted a competitive Request for Proposals process to obtain proposals from qualified firms to provide disaster recovery and emergency response grant services. The evaluation committee included City staff from the City Manager's Office and the Office of Emergency Management. The City received 11 proposals and evaluated them against the published criteria. The City considered four firms as finalists, interviews were conducted, and pricing was evaluated. The final scores were tabulated for each firm to determine the highest-ranking firm offering the best value to the City. Staff is recommending award to MPACT Strategic Consulting LLC as the highest-ranking firm. MPACT has 13 years of extensive experience providing recovery relief and assisting coastal communities with services throughout disaster events. These professional services will be used on an as needed basis in the event of a disaster emergency.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City may choose to administer grant services disaster recovery and emergency response grant services; however, with the expert knowledge from MPACT Strategic Consulting LLC, the City will be able to take advantage of all grant services available.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for professional services will be available through grant funding that is awarded to the City. MPACT Strategic Consulting LLC will be applying for available grants in the event of a disaster and emergency. Funding will be dependent on grants awarded.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this motion authorizing a two-year service agreement with three one-year option years with MPACT Strategic Consulting LLC as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Service Agreement
Scoring Sheet