

# **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA TOPIC**

Resolution authorizing execution of an agreement with Accord Contractors LLC for the renovation of the challenge course at Eastgate Park in the amount of \$1,048,820, plus all applicable taxes.

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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**ACTION** 

Adoption of resolution authorizing execution of an agreement with Accord Contractors LLC for the renovation of the challenge course located at Eastgate Park in the amount of \$1,048,820, plus all applicable taxes.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 10405

#### **BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS**

The City's Youth Link Leadership program began using regional challenge courses as part of the summer leadership development program over 30 years ago. Those involved in the program recognized the positive experience and impact these programs had on youth and developed support to construct and operate a course in Bellevue. Funding for a challenge course project was approved by City Council in 1998. In 2003, the Council approved the current site location at Eastgate Park in South Bellevue, in conjunction with the construction of the South Bellevue Community Center (SBCC). The Bellevue Challenge Course opened in the summer of 2006, with additional elements added in 2008.

The challenge course is more than 15 years old and is nearing the end of its useful life cycle. Course renovation will respond to community feedback and address maintenance operation challenges. Guests today indicate a desire for a streamlined experience that allows for diverse course options, including elements which meet ADA accessibility. The upgraded course design will continue to serve customers such as schools, corporate groups, residents and visitors to Bellevue and will additionally open up use to a larger participant pool including younger participants and guests with lower body weight, and participants with limited mobility. The new course design incorporates the latest technologies of continuous belay systems and auto belay systems to address course increasing participant safety and course operation efficiency.

# **Scope of Work**

The scope of work provides for all labor, equipment, and materials for the renovation of the Challenge Course elements and complete restoration of the work site.

# **Bid Process & Analysis**

Bid 24061 was conducted per City standard procurement procedures to ensure a State RCW compliant bid process that was open, fair, and transparent. The bid was advertised in the Seattle Times and Daily

Journal of Commerce and available on the City and Builders Exchange of Washington websites for three weeks. Bids were due and opened on June 27. The following two bids were received:

Bidder	Base Bid Amount
NW Team Building LLC	\$998,642.00
Accord Contractors LLC	\$1,048,820
Engineers Estimate	\$1,000,000.00

The engineer's estimate was \$1,000,000. A bid from NW Team Building LLC represents the lowest bid submittal. However, the bid has been determined to be incomplete and therefore non-responsive.

Staff are recommending the contract be awarded to Accord Contractors LLC. Although Accord Contractor's bid is about five percent above the engineer's estimate, bid results, great references, and previous projects provide evidence of a vendor capable of successfully completing the required work in accordance with the plans, specifications, and timeline. Rebid of the work would result in delay and interruption of programing service.

# **Construction Timing**

On-site construction is slated to begin this fall 2024, with completion anticipated in the first quarter of 2025 to allow the Challenge Course program to resume in the spring of 2025.

#### **POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS**

# **Policy Impact**

Bellevue City Code chapter 4.28 provides for the fair and equitable treatment of all persons involved in the purchasing process. Council approval is required to award the bid where the cost is estimated to exceed \$350,000.

PA-34. Evaluate existing parks and facilities, renovate, where appropriate, to maximize efficient maintenance and operation practices, improve safety and accessibility for all users, and to reduce, where feasible, the impacts on adjacent properties.

This purchase is supported by the adoption of the City's Diversity Advantage Plan in 2014 that included the goals of promoting access and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.

# **Fiscal Impact**

Awarding this bid will obligate the City to an amount up to \$1,048,820, plus all applicable taxes. This project is funded in the 2023-2029 General Capital Investment Program (CIP) through the King County Parks Levy (CIP Project No. P-AD-105). Sufficient funds exist to complete this project in P-AD-105.

# **OPTIONS**

- 1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing execution of an agreement with Accord Contractors LLC for the renovation of the challenge course at Eastgate Park in the amount of \$1,048,820, plus all applicable taxes
- 2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

A. CIP Project Description (P-AD-105)

Proposed Resolution No. 10405

# **AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY**

Public works agreement with Accord Contractors LLC