

# MEMORANDUM

**Date:** December 23, 2015

**To:** Mayor & City Council  
Douglas Faseler, City Manager

**From:** Jose (Joe) R. Ramos, Jr., P.E., City Engineer

**Re:** Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO)/Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT)  
Tor Drive Reconstruction and Improvement Project - Engineering Services

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On April 28, 2014, the City of Seguin was awarded funding through the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), following an October 2013 application to the Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO) for improvements to Tor Drive. The call for projects was the Surface Transportation Program-Metro Mobility (STPMM) TxDOT FY2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The project consists of road reconstruction and other upgrades on Tor Drive, between State Highway 123 and State Highway 123 Business including widening the roadway section, adding a continuous left turn lane, bike lanes and sidewalks amenities for a distance of just over one mile.

On January 20, 2015, City Council approved the Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) between the City and TxDOT, and a Request for Qualification Statements (RFQ) was issued in October 2015, to select a design firm for this project. A total of seventeen (17) RFQ's were received. The firms were solicited and ranked according to a TxDOT approved scoring matrix. The top three (3) scoring firms were then interviewed by the City's Project Team for final selection. Based on that process, the project team has selected Brown & Gay Engineering (BGE). BGE has provided an engineering contract proposal in the amount of \$738,394.90.

Therefore, staff requests City Council authorize City Staff to negotiate and contract with BGE for engineering, surveying, environmental and other project related services for the Tor Drive Reconstruction and Improvement Project. Funding will come from the FY2016 Streets/Highway/Drainage Capital Projects Fund, for engineering services. Based on the estimated construction cost of \$4,477,087, the proposal cost is a portion of the City's contribution (\$1,309,133) to the State's (\$204,466) and Federal (\$2,963,488) participation costs for engineering design and environmental clearance.

*Note: Once the project is designed and the necessary project documents compiled, appropriate permits secured from and approved by TxDOT, the project will be advertised for construction pending notification from TxDOT that Federal (\$2,963,488) and State (\$204,466) funding are available. The City will finance its match of the actual construction cost (now estimated at \$1,309,133), when design is approved for construction. The City will oversee all construction management of the project.*

**Cc:** Rick Cortes, Assistant City Manager  
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