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SUBJECT: Pre-Solicitation Briefing for Airfield Improvements, Package 6

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The Aviation Department will present a pre-solicitation briefing for Airfield Improvements, Package 6. This briefing will allow an opportunity for input and direction from the Audit and Accountability Committee members.

The pre-solicitation briefing will cover estimated contract value, projected timeline, high-profile designation, scope of the project, contract term, proposed scoring criteria, evaluation committee members, project considerations and the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program.

Recently, the Federal Aviation Administration has expanded the types of project delivery methods for airfield construction contracts to include Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals (RFCSP). The City Council authorized the use of RFCSP for complex horizontal projects that exceed \$1.5 million in Ordinance 2018-09-06 -0687. The RFCSP is an alternative delivery method that allows the evaluation and selection of a construction contractor based on their experience, qualifications and price proposal. The RFCSP allows the City to select the best value contractor to deliver a high quality project on time with as little disruption to aircraft operations and airfield tenants as possible.

The Interim Director of the Transportation and Capital Improvements Department has authorized the Aviation Department to utilize this alternative delivery method for the Airfield Improvements, Package 6 based on the following factors:

1. The project will take place within the secure aircraft operations area which requires special

access and training;

2. The FAA (air traffic control) is a high impact stakeholder because this project replaces a significant portion of their communications cables;
3. A high level of experience and craftsmanship is required to meet stringent FAA specifications; and,
4. Two runway closures for extended periods are required demanding close and continuous coordination to mitigate impacts to aircraft operations and airfield tenants to meet project timelines.

The term of the contract is for 340 days. The contract value has an estimated value of \$8.1 million.