



Legislation Text

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PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Department of Planning and Development

Vendor: AltusWorks, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Professional services to provide architectural and engineering design and construction administration services for building renovations and site improvements, including a new heating and air conditioning system and related site improvements, for the Forest Preserves' Caldwell Woods Wellness Studio located in Chicago.

Original Contract Period: 10/5/2021 - 12/31/2023

Proposed Contract Period Extension: N/A

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$176,762.50

Original Approval: 10/5/2021, \$167,490.00

Previous Increase(s): Administrative Increase, \$9,272.50

This Increase Requested: \$24,225.50

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2023 \$24,225.50

Accounts: Professional Services 51009.520830, 51010.520830, 51029.520830, 51051.520830, 51030.520830, 51031.520830 and 51033.520830

Contract Number(s): #74000009733 issued under Project #21-80-28

Concurrences: The Chief Financial Officer has approved this item. Final amendment is subject to legal review and approval.

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance provisions for the increased contract amount via direct participation.

District(s): 9

Summary: An increase in the original contract amount is needed to cover additional complexity in certain aspects of the

original scope of work. This contract is for architectural and engineering services for the renovation and conversion of the existing Caldwell Woods Warming Shelter to a “Welcome & Wellness Center” and to improve access, landscaping, and information signage. As the design process proceeded, the Forest Preserves requested additional design schemes and revisions to several components to address long-term maintenance concerns relating to a new outdoor seating area and enhanced energy efficiency of the mechanical systems to advance the Forest Preserves’ sustainability goals. When renovation is complete in the fall of 2023, the building will be all electric. The additional services provided are resulting in more durable and energy-efficient improvements.

The original RFP for this project was solicited publicly and ten (10) firms submitted proposals. A contract was awarded by the Board of Commissioners on October 5, 2021 (Board Item No. 21-0421).