

## SPOKANE COUNTY

### AVISTA STADIUM IMPROVEMENTS GC/CM PROJECT

1. You mention an ask of \$5.8 million from State of Washington and expected to know on April 20<sup>th</sup>. What is the status of that funding and what is status of the project if it was not received?

The \$5.8M from the State of Washington passed both Chambers unanimously in April and was signed (approved) by the Governor on May 16th.

2. Does the County feel they are ready for this delivery method? You have done mostly civil projects, and this is your first GC/CM. Often the biggest hurdle is the owners' internal team and their lack of ability to get out of their own way with contracts and procurement. What have you done to prepare your staff and team on the delivery method so to not severely slow down or hamper internal processes?

The County, and specifically the Parks, Recreation & Golf department is very excited for this project and to dive into this alternative delivery method. In order to prepare ourselves for this delivery method, we solicited for a GC/CM project management team and as a result have hired Turner & Townsend Heery. David Beaudine has been leading that team as a GC/CM advisor and has already conducted multiple training sessions with internal Parks staff as well as County purchasing and public facilities staff to understand the timelines, contracts and processes associated with GC/CM. These sessions have allowed the County to align team expectations and timelines to the currently established process, and in some cases even adjust some general best practices.

In relation to contracts, the County has also aligned themselves with Graehm Wallace and his team at Perkins Coie to supplement internal legal and provide contract documents and additional contractual review of the procurement documents.

To help in processing speed, Director Doug Chase has been given authority to make decisions on behalf of the project within County guidelines while reporting up to the CEO and County Commissioners.

Additionally, Spokane County's Public Works Division has already begun procurement of a Progressive Design-Build team, building up the County's experience in alternative delivery. County Parks, Legal, Purchasing, and Facilities have been involved in the process that is running ahead of this GC/CM project, providing an excellent opportunity to learn about procurement and contracting in alternative delivery two months ahead of the next steps on this project.

3. What other outreach will occur other than sending a notice to OWMBE?

The County is planning to work hand in hand with the selected GC/CM to develop an outreach plan across the central and eastern Washington market to continue to grow potential subcontractors to the project. The intent would be to work alongside the AGC in both Spokane and the Tri-Cities as well as other entities to cast a wider net across the region. We desire to find the best outreach mechanisms and as part of our onboarding and kick-off with the selected GC/CM will look to come up with known ways to reach out but also look at potential out of the box opportunities as well.

**CAPITAL PROJECTS ADVISORY REVIEW BOARD**

**PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE**

**QUESTIONS RE: PROJECT APPLICATION**

Meeting Date: May 25, 2023

We are currently scheduling an additional outreach event in early June alongside Spokane's Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) advisor to reach out to disadvantaged business trade partners in the local area who may be a good fit for the project and meet the qualification to be certified but have not yet obtained that certification.