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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH BENNETT PARTNERS FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE CORRECTIONS CENTER GYM DOORS REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

**\*\*\* CONSENT AGENDA \*\*\***

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve a professional services contract with Bennett Partners for architectural and engineering services for the Corrections Center Gym Doors Replacement Project located at 100 N. Lamar, in Fort Worth.

**BACKGROUND**

There are thirty-two (32) original doors to the building that allow daily access from the inmate cell pods to the gymnasiums. The function and operation of these doors are critical to fulfill recreational activities for inmates as required by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards. The gym doors are failing to operate from constant use and have deteriorated from exposure to the elements. Facilities Management has made continuous in-house repairs; however, the doors are beyond maintenance and are in need of replacement.

On April 26, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #138003, approved Request For Qualification (RFQ) No. 2022-098 – Annual Contract for Professional Architectural-Engineering Services, for various Tarrant County projects. With approval of RFQ No. 2022-098, the Facilities Management Department and Purchasing Department were granted approval to utilize the selected firms for indefinite quantities of work, as outlined in the RFQ, at the hourly rates in the respective rate schedules for each firm. Firms will be issued a Tarrant County purchase order or will be required to sign a contract for individual projects, depending on the type and cost of the work. Bennett Partners was one (1) of the firms that received the highest evaluated ratings from the evaluation committee as having qualifications to meet the County's needs for indefinite quantities of work as outlined in the RFQ.

The purpose of this contract is for Bennett Partners to provide construction documents, bidding, and construction administration services for the Corrections Center Gym Door Replacement Project. The scope of services shall include, but are not limited to the following:

- Construction Documents Phase
- Bidding Phase
- Construction Administration Phase

SUBMITTED BY:	Facilities Management	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Christina Munoz Michael Amador
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This contract commences on January 23, 2024, and concludes on the date services are completed.

The Criminal District Attorney's Office has reviewed this as to form.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funding in the amount of \$11,200.00 is available in account 45100-2024 Non-Debt Capital Fund/3110307000 Corrections Center Building/540000 Capital Outlay.