
Agenda Item 4A

May 31, 2016

SUBJECT:

Issuance of a Stop Work Order to Vaughn Construction for Phase 1 Improvements at 851 Harvey Mitchell Parkway in Bryan, Texas

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve and direct the Blinn District President/CEO to issue a stop work order to Vaughn Construction for Phase 1 improvements at the new Campus in Bryan, Texas, located at 851 Harvey Mitchell Parkway.

RATIONALE:

The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) has invited Blinn College to build facilities at the newly announced RELLIS Campus that would allow Blinn to enter into innovative partnerships with the universities of the Texas A&M System. Subsequent to the invitation, the administration worked with TAMUS officials to analyze and evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of joining TAMUS on the RELLIS Campus and ceasing plans to develop Blinn's property at 851 Harvey Mitchell Parkway. At its meeting on May 31, 2016, the Board will consider entering into a Memorandum of Understanding regarding a co-location with TAMUS on its RELLIS Campus. A formal stop work order is required to direct Vaughn Construction to halt all construction activities at the new Bryan Campus and to start the negotiations with all subcontractors to determine the amount owed. Once the amount owed to Vaughn Construction is determined, the administration will recommend a deductive change order at a subsequent board meeting. The deductive change order is necessary to close out the existing guaranteed maximum price amendment awarded by the Board in February, 2016.

BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS:

The administration proposes to use contingency funds and/or fund balance to close out the project at 851 Harvey Mitchell Parkway. The estimated cost of close-out is in the range of \$640,000 - \$1,500,000 which includes contract settlements, removing the temporary parking lot and construction entrance, hydro mulching graded property, etc. The estimated close-out costs are a subset of the approximately \$4.8 million invested in the Harvey Mitchell Parkway site to date. Of the \$4.8 million, \$1 million of this investment can be used at any new location. The remaining \$3.8 million will be offset in the future by savings in lower utilities rates, infrastructure, shared resources, etc.

RESOURCE PERSONNEL:

Richard O'Malley, Assistant Vice President Facilities, Planning, and Construction

ATTACHMENTS:

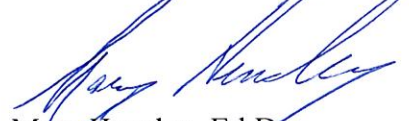
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