



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Capital Planning & Policy

Vendor: Koo, LLC, f/k/a Koo & Associates, Ltd., Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to extend contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Professional Design Services

Original Contract Period: 4/22/2014 - 4/21/2015, with one (1), one (1) year renewal option

Proposed Contract Period Extension: 4/22/2016 - 4/21/2017

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$83,095.57

Original Approval (Board or Procurement): 4/22/2014, \$83,095.57

Previous Board Increase(s) or Extension(s): N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s) or Extension(s): 8/31/2015, 4/22/2015 - 4/21/2016

This Increase Requested: N/A

Potential Fiscal Impact: No fiscal impact

Accounts: Capital Improvement Program 580

Contract Number(s): 1428-13300

Concurrences:

The vendor has met the Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance via direct participation.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

Summary: Capital Planning and Policy requests authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to extend this contract due to a change in the project schedule. This project provides for two new children's advocacy rooms at the Rolling Meadows and Criminal Court Building courthouses. These rooms will provide a safe, nurturing environment free from the stressful, emotionally charged atmosphere of a courtroom for children whose parents are conducting court business. These rooms seek to ensure every child is recognized as an individual whose gender, abilities, personal privacy, choice of

activities, and cultural, ethnic and religious background are treated with dignity and respect.

The Children's Advocacy Rooms provide free, on-site child care, staffed by experienced early child development professionals who are trained to respond compassionately to children whose experience with the court can involve highly charged & emotional issues. The rooms are welcoming environments, cheerfully decorated and child centered with age and developmentally appropriate activities. An array of books, toys games, and movies allow the children to be children.

Each room will have a Parent Resource Center with brochures and pamphlets provided by social service and other outreach agencies.

This contract was awarded through Request for Qualifications (RFQ) procedures in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Koo, LLC f/k/a Koo & Associates, Ltd. was selected based on established evaluation criteria.