

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM**: Elizabeth Anderson, Purchasing Manager

**SUBJECT:** Consider award of Bid # 2020-14, Traffic Signal Improvements

## **BACKGROUND:**

As part of the multi-year program to replace traffic signals throughout the community, staff posted Bid 2020-14 for Traffic Signal Improvements at the following intersections:

- Preston Road & Lovers Lane
- University Drive & Armstrong Parkway
- University Drive & Douglas Avenue

On August 14, 2020 staff received five (5) bids. The lowest bid of \$508,371.81 had to be disqualified as the vendor did not bid the correct materials. **Staff is recommending the award of this contract to the next lowest bidder. EAR Telecommunications, LLC bid \$594,671.10.** This amount includes the correct materials and the amount is more realistic when compared to the engineer's estimate. EAR Telecommunications has worked for the cities of Fort Worth and Austin, and their references were extremely positive.

Upon Council approval, staff will direct EAR Telecommunications to order the poles and mast arms for the signal replacements. Staff hopes to have this work completed by June 2021.

A bid tabulation is attached.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that Council approve the award of this contract to EAR Telecommunications in the amount of \$594,671.10.