

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

**Consultant:** URS Corporation

**Proposed Contract Amount:** \$900,000

**Project Title:** 56th Avenue from Chambers Road to Pena Boulevard

**Contract Control Number:** PWADM-201205382

**Term of this proposed contract (start/end date):** 5/1/12 to 9/30/14

**Selection Process:**

(a) **Date of bid process:** 10/20/11

(b) **How many proposals were received:** Seven (7)

(c) **Range:** N/A - Qualifications based DBE selection

**DSBO Assigned Goals:** 20% DBE

**DSBO Goals Commitment:** 20.2% DBE

**Council District:** 11

**Source of Funds:** CIP

**Background:**

The vision for the 56<sup>th</sup> Avenue corridor is to meet forecast mobility and accessibility needs for users of all modes (including pedestrian, bicyclists, cars, buses, and trucks). The purpose and need for this project is to:

- ▶ Manage future traffic congestion
- ▶ Support regional transportation system goals
- ▶ Promote multi-modal use of the corridor and enhance modal interrelationships

In July of 2008, a Planning Environmental Linkage Study (PEL) for 56<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Havana Street to Pena Boulevard was completed. This PEL, which was approved in February of 2010 and is available online at: <http://www.denvergov.org/56thavenue>. The Purpose and Need for the project are also discussed in-depth in the PEL.

The goal of this project is to eventually implement the Proposed Action as stated in the PEL, using the framework of the PEL as the project background and guide for what will be accomplished by this project. With the expectation that a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (1969) process may be used to evaluate this corridor if federal funding for improvements is obtained, the study team used a “NEPA-like” decision-making process for this corridor study to allow the inclusion of much of this corridor study’s information in a subsequent NEPA process.