

Recommendation for Council Action (CMD)

Austin City Council Item ID: 24919 Agenda Number 8.

Meeting Date: June 20, 2013

Department: Contract Management

Subject

Authorize execution of a construction contract with SMITH CONTRACTING CO. INC., for the North Acres Water and Wastewater Improvements - South project in an amount not to exceed \$5,542,230.50, plus a \$554,223 contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$6,096,453.50.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	Lowest responsive bid of seven bids received.
Prior Council	
Action:	
For More	Tony Krauss, P.E., 974-7138; Jennifer Liu, P.E., 972-2049; Susan Garnett, 974-7064; Felecia
Information:	Shaw, 974-6017.
Boards and	
Commission	June 12, 2013 - Approved by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 6-0-1 vote.
Action:	
Related Items:	
	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority
MBE / WBE:	Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals
	with 7.08% MBE and 2.32% WBE subcontractor participation.
Additional Backup Information	

The project will construct 18,050 linear feet of 8-inch wastewater lines, 1,457 linear feet of 8-inch water lines, and 210 linear feet of 6-inch water line and appurtenances. Also included is new pavement, fire hydrants and valves, and upgrades to the existing water system to meet City of Austin standards. The project will consist primarily of open cut construction, with approximately 1,500 linear feet of trenchless construction performed at three locations of wastewater lines.

The general project limits are Interstate 35 on the west, Hollybluff Street on the north, Dessau Road on the east, and Floradale Drive on the south.

Staff has been involved in public outreach through holding three public meetings with the North Acres community in addition to making presentations to the North Acres Home Owners Association. In an effort to keep the neighborhood updated as the project progresses, updates will be provided at the Home Owners Association's quarterly meetings.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions or potential conflicts, a 10% contingency has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders.

The contract allows 576 calendar days for final completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78753 and is managed by the Public Works Department.

Smith Contracting Co., Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.