

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	51774	Agenda Number	35.
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Meeting Date:	11/19/2015	Department:	Public Works
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority for the relocation and improvement of water and wastewater utilities in connection with the Mobility Authority's Bergstrom Expressway (183 South) Project for the amount of \$6,717,549 plus a contingency of \$1,010,608, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$7,728,157.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:

Prior Council Action:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Water & Wastewater Commission on December 9, 2015.

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority's board has authorized the CTRMA to undertake and complete a transportation project generally described as the Bergstrom Expressway (183 South) from US 290 at Springdale / Manor Road to SH 71 near Bergstrom Airport.

The City possesses utility infrastructure that is or may be in conflict with the proposed Bergstrom Expressway. CTRMA is obligated to relocate, at their expense, existing City utilities as necessary to accommodate their project. The City has to date incurred approximately \$1,492,045 in costs associated with the acquisition of easements, project management, and engineering costs to facilitate these relocations and these costs are reimbursable to the City from CTRMA.

This project also provides an opportunity for Austin Water to upgrade their existing infrastructure during this project as well as add new infrastructure to better serve the growing Austin Metropolitan area. These requested upgrades and additions are considered "betterments" and will be constructed by the CTRMA as part of this project and will be funded by Austin Water. The City and CTRMA have agreed on a lump sum cost of \$10,106,085 associated with these betterments. The City and CTRMA agree that the \$10,106,085 represents the total lump sum cost associated with the requested betterments and that there will be no adjustments to this cost unless the agreed scope of work is modified.

A project of this size, scope, and schedule will stress City staff responsible for design support and permitting reviews which can translate into extended City process timelines for this project as well impacting other unrelated projects moving through the permitting and review processes. To mitigate this impact, the City has agreed to provide dedicated City permit and review staff from the various departments impacted by this project and the CTRMA has agreed to fund the additional City staff required to fulfill this obligation. The City and CTRMA have agreed on a lump sum cost of \$1,896,491 associated with the dedicated City services.

This Inter-local Agreement allows the Austin Water to pay CTRMA the agreed lump sum cost of the betterments in the amount of \$10,106,085, less the agreed lump sum costs incurred to date by the City of \$1,492,045, and less the negotiated lump sum costs associated with providing the dedicated City services of \$1,896,491. The payment to CTRMA from the City for the betterments less the agreed upon City expenses will be \$6,717,549. A 10% contingency in funding is requested to cover possible changes or additions to the scope of betterments that may become necessary during design or construction due to unforeseen conditions.

The Project location is within Council Districts 1, 2, and 3.

This project is managed by the Public Works Department.