

Recommendation for Water & Wastewater Commission

Commission Meeting Date:	May 11, 2016
Council Meeting Date:	May 19, 2016
Department:	Public Works
SUBJECT	
Authorize execution of a Standard Utility Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the relocation and adjustment of existing water lines within the IH 35 Mobility Roadway Improvements from North of Oltorf Street to South of Oltorf Street. (Districts 3 and 9)	
AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING	
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact.	
Purchasing Language:	N/A
Prior Council Action:	N/A
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Boards and Commission Action:	May 11, 2016- To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.
MBE/WBE:	N/A

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) plans to construct roadway and drainage improvements on IH-35 north and south of Oltorf Street. Austin Water is required to relocate and adjust existing water and wastewater utilities as necessary to prevent conflict with the proposed TxDOT roadway improvements. The proposed highway improvements will necessitate the relocation of approximately 550 linear feet of existing water lines, gate valves, wet connections, and valve castings within Interstate 35 Right Of Way, located north and southbound frontage roads.

This project is federally funded project. In accordance with federally funded projects, TxDOT is responsible for providing 100% of the engineering and construction costs and, reimbursing the City for project management, reviewing, inspection and administrative cost of the project, except betterments. This Standard Utility Agreement is required for relocation and adjustments of water lines and associated appurtenances that are not betterments. A separate Advance Funding Agreement is also required to address the betterments on the project. All dates are dependent upon TxDOT design and construction contracts.

TxDOT will, upon satisfactory completion of the relocation or adjustments and upon receipt of final billing prepared in an approved form and manner, make payment to the City in the amount of 90 percent (90%) of the eligible costs as shown in the final billing prior to audit and after such audit shall make an additional final payment totaling the reimbursement amount found eligible for TxDOT reimbursement.

The roadway in this Standard Utility Agreement was identified as a transportation improvement project by TxDOT. Austin Water's existing water lines are required to be adjusted to accommodate the proposed roadway improvements, and this agreement will allow those water infrastructures in conflict to be adjusted. Executing this Standard Utility Agreement will bring together the efforts of TxDOT and Austin Water in the design and construction of the roadway improvements and utility adjustments to minimize impacts to the public and save costs.

This project is located within zip codes 78704 and 78744, within council districts 3 and 9.

This project is managed by the Public Works Department.



TxDOT – IH 35 Water Line Relocation North of Oltorf to South of Oltorf



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