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Recommendation for Council Action (CLMD)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

66685

Agenda Number

9.

Meeting Date:

January 26, 2017

Department:

Capital Contracting Office

Subject

Authorize execution of a construction contract with M. A. SMITH CONTRACTING INC, for the Gonzales Lift Station Abandonment Project in the amount of \$1,173,936.60 plus a \$117,393.60 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,291,330.20. (District 3)

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:

Lowest responsive bid of five bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation.

Prior Council Action:

For More Information:

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Boards and Commission Action:

January 11, 2017 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a vote of 8-0 with Commissioners Ho, Kellough, and Parker absent.

Related Items:

MBE / WBE:

This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 8.23% MBE and 0.81% WBE participation.

Additional Backup Information

The Gonzales Lift Station was constructed in the 1950s and is the oldest lift station operated by the City. Austin Water's Asset Management Report shows the facility has reached the end of its useful life and is experiencing odor and corrosion problems. The station is at a high risk of not having enough capacity during a wet weather event and has the potential for increased inflow.

This project's purpose is to divert the flows from this location to a gravity sewer main in the vicinity and abandon the facility according to standard procedures. The work includes construction of an 18-inch gravity wastewater main, using both open trench and steel encasement pipe.

Due to the potential for unforeseen conditions in this old facility, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. A contingency is an additional amount of money added to the construction budget to cover any unforeseen construction costs associated with the project.

Advance notice will be sent to neighborhood residents as there will be a slight impact to the community in the area. Traffic control signs will be placed to guide drivers and area residents which will be coordinated with Austin Transportation Department Right of Way management. Minimal noise will be anticipated during construction.

A delay executing this contract will result in prolonging a less efficient system and the potential for failures and/or additional maintenance costs.

The contract allows 210 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78702 (District 3). The project is managed by the Public Works Department.

M. A. Smith Contracting Inc. is located in Austin, TX.

Information on this solicitation is available through the City's Financial Services website. Link: [Solicitation Documents](#).