

Recommendation for Water & Wastewater Commission

Commission Meeting Date:	April 12, 2017
Council Meeting Date:	April 20, 2017
Department:	Public Works

SUBJECT

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the existing interlocal agreement between the City of Austin and Williamson County for Forest North, Pearson Ranch Road, Bayswater Gardens, and Lakeline Boulevard Improvement Projects to increase the amount of \$229,450.96 for a total interlocal agreement amount not to exceed \$1,638,884.05. (District 6)

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING

Funding in the amount of \$229,450.96 is available in the Fiscal year 2016-2017 Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Purchasing Language:	N/A
Prior Council Action:	December 17, 2015- Council approved an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and Williamson County.
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Boards and Commission Action:	April 12, 2017- To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.
MBE/WBE:	N/A

In 2016, an interlocal agreement between the City of Austin and Williamson County was executed to provide funding for the Forest North, Pearson Ranch Road, Bayswater Gardens and Lakeline Boulevard improvement projects including the design and construction cost of City of Austin water lines, wastewater lines, and appurtenances that were in conflict with proposed roadway and storm drainage improvements. The roadway in this interlocal agreement was identified as a transportation improvement project by the County and the previous agreement. This interlocal agreement brought together the efforts of the County and Austin Water in the design and construction of the roadway improvements and utility adjustments to minimize impacts to the public and save costs. The executed interlocal agreement was for Austin Water to pay Williamson County an estimated amount of \$210,461.00 for design and \$1,089,974.62 for construction plus a 10% contingency amount of \$108,997.47 for a total contract agreement not to exceed \$1,409,433.09.

As construction proceeded, additional authorization in the amount of \$229,450.96 is requested for the Forest North project due to change orders and actual bid results. The actual bid price was \$956,465.27 which was \$85,974.21 higher than the estimated cost of \$870,491.06.

The major difference between the estimated cost and the contractor price is in the unit price of the "Pipe, 8" Diameter, DI CL 350 (All Depths) With Restrained Joints including Excavation and Backfill" item. While the average unit price was estimated at \$60 per linear foot, the contract unit price amounted to \$85 per linear foot, accounting for \$61,725.00 price difference.

In addition, removal and disposal of approximately 1340 linear feet of 6" and 8" asbestos cement pipe and installation of approximately 74 linear feet of 8" Diameter ductile iron pipe necessitates approval of a change order for an amount of \$143,476.74 including the cost required for trench repair, surface restoration, traffic control and barricades. Construction of Forest North began in August 2016 and is expected to be complete by March 2018.

Per the interlocal agreement, the City provides funding to Williamson County for all costs associated with engineering design, testing and construction costs of Austin Water improvements, including the cost of change orders made necessary by field changes to address unanticipated conditions under the terms and conditions in the agreement.

These projects are located within zip code 78729, 78717 and 78613. Forest North, Pearson Ranch Road and Bayswater Gardens are located inside of the 2-mile extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ). Lakeline Boulevard is located inside of the city limits within Council District 6.

The projects are managed by the Public Works Department.