

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: October 18, 2018

Item Number: 010

Capital Contracting Office

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Blastco Texas, Inc., for the Forest Ridge Ground Storage Reservoir Improvements project in the amount of \$2,255,064 plus a \$225,506.40 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,480,570.40. (Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) through the achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 1.33% MBE and 22.99% WBE participation.)

Lead Department	Austin Water <u>Managing Department(s)</u> Austin Water
Fiscal Note	Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Capital Budget of Austin Water.
Purchasing Language	Lowest responsive bid of four bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation.
For More Information	Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov. NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749, Aiden Cohen, 512-974-1929, or the Project Manager, Ryan Baxter, 512-972-0231.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action	To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission on October 10, 2018.

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Additional Backup Information:

The Forest Ridge Reservoir is a 3.0 million-gallon potable water ground storage tank. This project is part of an annual recoating and safety improvement program for the City of Austin's water storage reservoirs. This contract includes recoating, structural, security, site, and safety improvements to the reservoir and site. Work on this project includes preparing the surface and coating the interior and exterior portion of the reservoir. It also includes installing structural and safety improvements, new cathodic protection systems, new roof hatches and vents, and repairs and restoration to aged equipment. Site improvements are also being made as a part of the project including, but not limited to, site grading improvements, improvements to overflow structures, site pavement improvements, vault and valve improvements, and miscellaneous site and pump station coating improvements.

Public outreach meetings with affected stakeholders will be scheduled prior to construction. Delaying execution of this contract will further delay the needed rehabilitation. Delaying the project would not only begin to compromise the structure, but also increase the cost to restore the tanks and decrease the quality of the water being delivered to the customers.

Due to the potential for unanticipated field conditions or adjustments, 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.

The contract allows 160 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78750 (District #10). The project will be managed by Austin Water.

Blastco Texas Inc. is located in Channelview, TX.

Information on this solicitation is available through the City's Austin Finance Online website. Link: Solicitation Documents.

https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=124989