

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: November 1, 2018

Item Number: **007**

Capital Contracting Office

Authorize negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with the following two staff recommended firms: CDM Smith, Inc. and K Friese & Associates, Inc. (WBE), (or other qualified responders) for Request for Qualifications Solicitation No. CLMP246 to provide engineering services for South Area and Northwest Area Lift Station Improvements with the total amount not to exceed \$7,000,000 divided evenly between the two firms. [Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 15.80% MBE and 15.80% 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	Staff recommendation is selection of the two most qualified firms out of sixteen firms evaluated through the City’s qualifications-based selection process.
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, Joannette Aird, 512-972-0185.
Council Committee,	October 10, 2018 - Reviewed by the Water and Wastewater

Boards and Commission Action	Commission on a 4-0 vote, with Commissioners Penn and Michel recused.
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Additional Backup Information:

A number of Austin Water lift stations in South and Northwest Austin require engineering services for improvements. Lift stations and force mains in these areas have been identified for improvements based on the condition of the dry well, wet well, force main, or the capacity of the existing pumps and force main conveyance capacity.

As outlined in the solicitation process, staff evaluated and ranked the firms, then allowed the top ranked firm to choose either the South or Northwest Area Lift Station Improvements. As a result, CDM Smith, Inc. will perform the South Area Lift Station Improvements while K Friese & Associates, Inc. will perform the Northwest Area Lift Station Improvements. The estimated consultant project cost for planning, preliminary engineering, final design, and bid phase is \$3,500,000 for the South Area lift station improvements and \$3,500,000 for the Northwest Area lift station improvements. The City intends to return to Council to request additional authorization for construction phase and warranty phase services. These amounts will be determined after the preliminary and final design recommendations are reviewed and approved by the City.

The list of lift stations and force mains in the South Area includes:

- Bend O'River Force Main
- Lost Creek WWTP Effluent Force Main
- Barton Creek Plaza Lift Station
- Boggy Creek East Lift Station
- Pearce Lane #1 Lift Station and Force Main
- Pearce Lane #2 Lift Station and Force Main
- Springfield Lift Station and Force Main
- Bee Caves Force Main
- Bluffington #1 Force Main
- Bluffington #2 Force Main
- Treemont Force Main
- Travis Country Force Main and Generator

The list of lift stations and force mains in the Northwest Area includes:

- Boulder Lane Lift Station
- Rock Harbour Force Main
- Four Points #1 Lift Station and Force Main
- Four Points #2 Lift Station and Force Main
- Four Points Center Lift Station and Force Main
- Spring Lake #2 Lift Station and Force Main

- Great Hills Lift Station Feasibility Study and Improvements
- McNeil Commercial Force Main
- Texas Plume Force Main

This authorization provides for funding of the above listed services. This request allows for the development of an agreement with the qualified responders that Council selects. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the selected responders, negotiations will cease with that provider. Staff will return to Council so that Council may select another qualified responder and authorize contract negotiations with that provider.

TOP RANKED FIRM:CDM Smith, Inc. is located in Austin, TX

SECOND RANKED FIRM:K Friese & Associates Inc. is located in Austin, 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=125792>