



**Water & Wastewater Commission
Review and Recommendation**

Commission Meeting Date:	July 14, 2021	COA Strategic Direction:	Health and Environment; Safety
Council Meeting Date:	July 29, 2021		
Department:	Purchasing		
Client:	Rick Coronado		
Agenda Item			
Recommend approval to amend existing cooperative contracts with Sunbelt Rentals Inc. and United Rentals (North America) Inc., for continued rental of trench safety shoring and pumping equipment, for an increase in the amount of \$288,000, for revised total contract amounts not to exceed \$538,000 divided between the contractors. Austin Water's total authorization is \$275,000.			
Amount and Source of Funding			
Funding in the amount of \$13,750 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Operating Budget of Austin Water. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.			
Purchasing Language:	Contract Amendments.		
Prior Council Action:	N/A		
Boards and Commission Action:	July 14, 2021 — To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.		
MBE/WBE:	This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the services required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.		

These contracts are for the rental of trench safety shoring and pumping equipment for Austin Water, Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and the Watershed Protection Department. The availability of trench safety shoring equipment allows the City to mitigate safety risks associated with open excavations by providing additional equipment while City-owned equipment is deployed at other active jobs. Pumping equipment rentals will be used to dewater open trenches to allow employees to safely work in protected trenches.

The Sourcewell cooperative establishes competitively bid contracts that can be utilized by the State and other government agencies through a cooperative agreement. Cooperative agreements save taxpayer dollars by leveraging volume-buying power to drive down costs on hundreds of contracts through a streamlined cooperative purchasing program.

Additional authorization is needed on these contracts to meet the anticipated demand for the rental services needed by City departments. Initially, these contracts were developed for the Watershed Protection Department, however, Homeland Security and Emergency Management and Austin Water also identified needs for these rentals. This will ensure a consistent supply of equipment is available for emergency situations.

Contract Detail:

<u>Contract Term</u>	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Current Contract Authorization</u>	<u>Requested Additional Authorization</u>	<u>Revised Total Authorization</u>
Initial Term	43 mos.	\$200,000		\$200,000
Proposed Amendment			\$233,000	\$233,000
Optional Extension 1	12 mos.	\$ 50,000	\$ 55,000	\$105,000
TOTAL	55 mos.	\$250,000	\$288,000	\$538,000

Note: Contract Authorization amounts are based on the City's estimated annual usage.