



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-2356, **Agenda Item #:** 18.

7/29/2021

Posting Language

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Underground Water Solutions Co. (MBE), for the Beverly Road Water and Wastewater Pipeline Renewal project in the amount of \$868,881.00 plus a \$86,888.10 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$955,769.10.

[Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 77.17% MBE and 2.01% WBE participation.]

Lead Department

Capital Contracting Office

Managing Department

Public Works Department

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Purchasing Language:

Lowest responsive bid of seven 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 <<mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov>>.

NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749; Garrett Cox, 512-974-9423; or the Project Manager, Jennifer Simmons, 512-974-7030.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

July 14, 2021 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 7-0 votes with Commissioner Lee recusing, Commissioner Williams absent, and two vacancies.

Additional Backup Information:

The Beverly Road Water and Wastewater Pipeline Renewal project is part of the Renewing Austin Program. The Renewing Austin Program is an ongoing effort to replace and upgrade deteriorated and aging water mains with a documented history of multiple breaks, that are in poor condition, and that impact service delivery. In addition, the program coordinates and includes wastewater lines in poor condition in need of replacement within the project area.

This project consists of the replacement of existing water and wastewater mains located within the general boundaries of 30th Street to 34th Street on Beverly Road. The water system renewal includes approximately

1,600 linear feet of 8-inch main along with associated appurtenances and service lines to individual properties. The wastewater system renewal includes approximately 1,300 linear feet of 8-inch pipe, manholes, and service lines to individual properties.

The project proposes lane closures and/or detours during off-peak traffic hours. The contractor will install appropriate traffic detour signs and barricades to direct traffic. The contractor will work to ensure that residents and businesses have access to their driveways at all times. If access cannot be maintained, written notice of limited access will be provided to the affected property owner(s) at least 24 hours in advance. In addition, there will be planned temporary water and wastewater service interruptions, primarily during pipeline tie-in and service reconnection. Residents will be notified at least 48 hours in advance of planned service interruptions.

This construction contract is time sensitive and is critical to the improvement of the infrastructure stability of Austin's water distribution and wastewater collection systems. Delay or deferral of this contract will require additional time and cost for City operations crews to conduct maintenance and repairs.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions, 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. By authorizing the additional contingency funding, Council is authorizing any change orders within the contingency amount.

The contract allows 360 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78703 (District 10).

Underground Water Solutions Co. (MBE/FH) is located in Manor, Texas.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment