



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-3534, **Agenda Item #:** 24.

12/9/2021

Posting Language

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Santa Clara Construction, LTD. (MBE) for the Hyde Park Water and Wastewater Pipeline Renewal project in the amount of \$7,722,797.50 plus a \$772,279.75 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$8,495,077.25.

[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 79.15% MBE and 0.89% WBE participation.]

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Managing Department

Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$8,335,920.44 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Funding in the amount of \$79,339.15 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.

Funding in the amount of \$79,817.66 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget of the Austin Transportation Department.

Purchasing Language:

Lowest responsive bid of four bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bids solicitation.

For More Information:

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:

December 1, 2021 - Reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission, no recommendation due to lack of affirmative votes by the quorum.

Additional Backup Information:

The Hyde Park 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 and other needed improvements by other departments within the project area.

This project consists of the repair and replacement of existing water and wastewater mains located within the general boundaries of 48th Street (North) to 45th Street (South) and Evans Avenue (East) to Avenue D (West) in Hyde Park. The water system renewal includes approximately 10,990 linear feet of main ranging from 8-inch to 16-inch along with associated appurtenances and service lines to individual properties. The wastewater system renewal includes approximately 7,950 linear feet of pipe ranging from 8-inch to 12-inch, manholes, and service lines to individual properties. This project also includes the addition of sidewalk and bikeway improvements mostly on Speedway, Avenue F, Duval, and 47th Street.

This item includes an allowance of \$400,000 for the relocation of private water and wastewater services. An allowance is an amount that is specified and included in the construction contract or specifications for a certain item(s) of work whose details are not yet determined at the time of bidding.

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 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. 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.

The contract allows 750 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78751 (District 9).

Santa Clara Construction, LTD. (MBE/MH) is located in Austin, Texas.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety, Health and Environment.