

Posting Language

Recommend approval to execute a contract for construction services for the Oltorf Street Reclaimed Water Main Phase 2 project with Cash Construction Company, Inc., in the amount of \$10,401,106 plus a \$1,040,111 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$11,441,217. (Districts 3, 9)

MBE/WBE

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 2.42% MBE and 0.08% WBE participation.

Lead Department

Financial Services Department

Client Department

Austin Water Assistant Director of Engineering Services, Charles Celauro

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Purchasing Language

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitations for Bids (IFB) 6100 CLMC986 for these services. The solicitation was issued on June 12, 2023, and closed on July 20, 2023. Of the three offers received, the recommended contractors submitted the lowest responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids received, is available for viewing, is available for viewing on the City's Financial Services, website, Austin Finance Online. Link: [Solicitation Document](#).

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action

October 11, 2023 - To be reviewed by the Water & Wastewater Commission

Additional Backup Information

The Oltorf Street Reclaimed Water Main Phase 2 project was identified in Austin Water's 2013 Completing the Core plan as a near-term construction project necessary to complete a core loop through downtown and east Austin. Completing the core loop interconnects Austin Water's reclaimed water system north and south of the Colorado River, adds customers, increases reliability, and builds economies of scale. This is one of five projects required to loop Austin Water's reclaimed water distribution system north of the river to the system south of the river.

The Oltorf Street Reclaimed Water Main Phase 2 project includes approximately 6,870 linear feet of 24-inch reclaimed water main in Oltorf Street westward from Burton Drive to Parker Lane, north on Parker Lane to Mariposa Drive, west on Mariposa Drive across IH-35 to Travis Heights Boulevard, and north on Travis Heights Boulevard to Fairmount Avenue. The work also includes approximately 1,400 linear feet of 8- and 12-inch drinking water main to improve drinking water system pressures.

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.

This project proposes lane closures and detours during construction of the reclaimed water and drinking water mains. The contractor will install appropriate traffic detour signs and barricades to direct traffic and will work to ensure that residents and businesses always have access to their driveways. In addition, there will be planned temporary water service interruptions during pipeline tie-in and service reconnection. Customers will be notified at least 48 hours in advance of planned service interruptions.

This contract is time sensitive and is a critical component of improving the infrastructure stability of the reclaimed water and water distribution systems. Delay or deferral of this contract will require additional time and cost for City construction crews to conduct maintenance and repairs and could also impact the reliability of service. As more customers connect to the system and increase reclaimed water usage for non-drinking purposes such as irrigation, cooling, toilet flushing, and manufacturing, the consequences of an outage become more significant.

The contract allows 510 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip codes 78741 (District 3) and 78704 (District 9).

M/WBE Summary

Public notice was given for this solicitation, CLMC986 for the Oltorf Street Reclaimed Water Main Phase 2 project, through the City’s Vendor Connection web portal. Three bids were received and opened on July 20, 2023. Of the three of bids received, one bid was from an MBE/WBE certified firm. Cash Construction Company, Inc. submitted the lowest responsive bid.

	<u>Base Bid</u>
Cash Construction Company, Inc., Pflugerville, TX	\$10,401,106.15
Austin Underground Inc., Lago Vista, TX (MH)	\$11,727,210.35
Cedar Hills Construction, LLC, Cedar Park, TX	\$13,649,581.30

The contractor’s choice of work methodology provides for ten areas of contracting opportunities which are listed below. Participation subgoals stated in the solicitation were 2.36% African American; 5.26%; Hispanic; 0.27%; Native/Asian; 1.27% WBE. Total participation is estimated on the base bid amount:

		Base Bid: \$ 10,401,106.15	
PRIME	NON M/WBE OR TOTAL	\$ 6,411,062.40	61.64%
	Cash Construction Co In, Pflugerville, TX		
MBE TOTALS - SUBCONTRACTORS		\$251,974.00	2.42%
	<i>Hispanic Subtotal</i>	\$120,000.00	1.15%
	(MH) Blue Star Road LLC, Manor, TX (Hauling Services)	\$120,000.00	1.15%
	<i>Native/Asian American Subtotal</i>	\$131,974.00	1.27%
	(MA) Beyond Engineering and Testing, LLC, Round Rock, TX (Boring, Drilling, Testing, Soundings)	\$131,974.00	1.27%
WBE TOTALS - SUBCONTRACTORS		\$8,600.00	0.08%
	(FW) Stephanie Braun Clayton LLC, Austin, TX (Construction Photography)	\$8,600.00	0.08%
NON MBE/WBE TOTALS - SUBCONTRACTORS		\$3,729,469.75	35.86%
	Pape Dawson Consulting Engineers, Inc., Austin, TX (Surveying Services)	\$133,165.00	1.28%
	Matoka, Inc., Austin, TX (Erosion controls)	\$27,000.00	0.26%
	TRP Transportation Group, Austin, TX (Barricades, traffic, portable)	\$103,000.00	0.99%
	MK1 Construction Services, San Antonio, TX (Concrete, ready-mix)	\$405,000.00	3.89%
	Melcar Construction, Inc., Conroe, TX (Construction, tunnel)	\$2,191,206.00	21.07%
	Gulf Coast Grouting, Inc., Huffman, TX (Grout, pipe, & sewer)	\$60,000.00	0.58%
	Protos Security, Daleville, VA (Guards, Security)	\$55,000.00	0.53%
	National Welding Corporation, Midvale, UT (Welding)	\$25,000.00	0.24%
	Fortiline Waterworks, Concord, NC (Fusing)	\$80,000.00	0.77%
	Alpha Paving Industries LLC, Round Rock, TX (HMAC Paving)	\$328,557.00	3.16%
	A Greater Austin Development Co., LLC, Austin, TX (Concrete sidewalk)	\$321,541.75	3.09%

The Contractor submitted an MBE/WBE Compliance Plan that demonstrated a Good Faith Effort and was approved by the Small and Minority Business Resources Department. Second and third low bidder information is provided.

SECOND BIDDER - Austin Underground Inc., Lago Vista, TX (MH) \$11,727,210.35
78.73% M/WBE prime participation; 2.37% African American; 0.28% Native/Asian; 1.28% WBE;
17.34% NON-M/WBE subcontractor participation.

THIRD BIDDER – Cedar Hills Construction, LLC \$13,649,581.30
49.16% NON-M/WBE prime participation; 2.38% African American; 5.27% Hispanic; 0.28% Native/Asian;
1.28% WBE; 41.63% NON M/WBE subcontractor participation.



Project Location: Oltorf Street Reclaimed Water Main Phase 2

