

**Posting Language**

Recommend approval to authorize a contract for construction services for the Merion Circle Water and Wastewater Pipeline Renewal for Austin Water with Packsaddle Management, LLC/Packsaddle Management, in the amount of \$2,044,030 plus a \$204,403 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,248,433. Funding: \$2,248,433 is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Lead Department

Austin Financial Services.

Managing Department

Austin Capital Delivery Services.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Procurement Language:

Austin Financial Services issued an Invitation for Bids solicitation IFB 6100 CLMC1139 for these services. The solicitation published on October 13, 2025, and closed on November 20, 2025.

Of the four offers received, the bid submitted by the recommended contractor was the lowest responsive bid received. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids received, is available for viewing on the City's website. This information can currently be found at https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=142663.

MBE / WBE:

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 7.82% MBE and 2.18% WBE participation.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

February 18, 2026 – To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

Additional Backup Information:

The Merion Circle Water and Wastewater Pipeline Renewal project is part of the Renewing Austin Program. This ongoing program replaces and upgrades deteriorated and aging water mains with a documented history of multiple breaks that impact service delivery. The program also includes wastewater lines to be replaced and upgraded due to deterioration and aging.

This project consists of repairing and replacing existing water and wastewater mains along Merion Circle, Newport Lane, Langwood Drive, and Barons Court. Water system renewal includes approximately 1,600 linear feet of water main along with service lines to individual properties and associated easement. Wastewater system renewal includes approximately 1,100 linear feet of water main, manholes, and service lines to individual properties.

This item includes one allowance, in the amount of \$20,000, to address remediation of contaminated soil and groundwater. An allowance is an amount that is specified and included in the construction contract or specifications for a certain items of work when details are not determined at the time of bidding.



Item 2

Water & Wastewater Commission: February 18, 2026

Council: February 26, 2026

Due to the potential for unknown conditions, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders to cover any unforeseen construction costs associated with the project.

The project proposes lane closures and/or detours. The contractor will install appropriate traffic detour signs and barricades to direct traffic. The contractor will work to ensure that residents and businesses always have access to their driveways. Roadways will be reopened to the public at the end of each working day. 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. Customers will be notified at least 48 hours in advance of planned service interruptions.

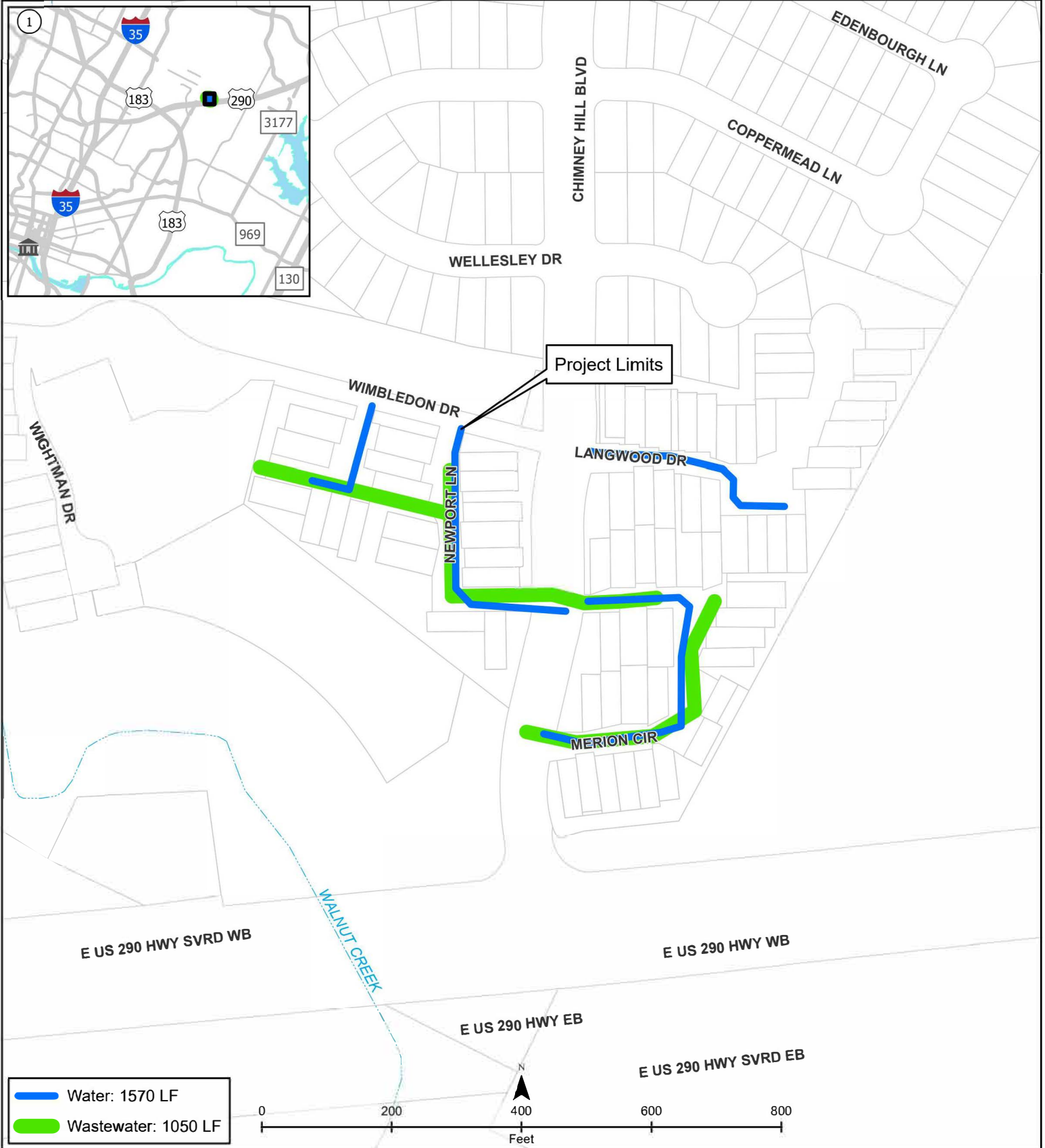
This construction contract is time sensitive and is critical to the improvement of the infrastructure stability of Austin's water distribution and wastewater collection systems.

The contract allows 240 calendar days for completion of this project.

This project is located within zip code 78754 (District 1).



Project Location: 2231.378 - Merion Circle Water and Wastewater Pipeline Renewal



MBE/WBE Summary

Public notice was given for this solicitation CLMC1139, Merion Circle Water and Wastewater Pipeline Renewal, through the City’s Financial Services website, Austin Finance Online. Four bids were received and opened on November 20, 2025. Of the four bids received two bids were from MBE/WBE certified firms. Packsaddle Management, LLC/Packsaddle Management submitted the lowest responsive bid including an allowance of \$20,000:

	<u>Base Bid</u>	<u>Base Bid + Allowance(s)</u>
Packsaddle Management, LLC/Packsaddle Management, Horseshoe Bay, TX	\$2,024,030	\$2,044,030
Facilities Rehabilitation Inc, Austin, TX (MH/MBE)	\$2,200,368	\$2,220,368
Underground Water Solutions Co., Manor, TX (FH/MBE)	\$2,228,136	\$2,248,136
DeNucci Constructors, LLC, Austin, TX	\$3,686,580	\$3,706,580

The contractor’s choice of work methodology provides for nine areas of contracting opportunities which are listed below. Participation goals stated in the solicitation were 1.42% African American; 4.64% Hispanic; 0.59% Native/Asian American; 1.32% WBE. Total participation estimated on base bid amount:

	Base Bid:	\$2,024,030	
PRIMENON M/WBE TOTAL	\$	1,418,400.23	70.08%
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Packsaddle Management, LLC/Packsaddle Management, Horseshoe Bay, TX			
MBE TOTALS - SUBCONTRACTORS	\$	158,527.73	7.82%
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<i>African American Subtotal</i>	\$	31,238.20	1.54%
(MB) Avery's Lawn Care & Landscaping, LLC, Round Rock, TX (Erosion Control Services)	\$	31,238.20	1.54%
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<i>Hispanic Subtotal</i>	\$	97,253.85	4.80%
(MH) Environmental Safety Services, Buda, TX (Erosion Control Services)	\$	97,253.85	4.80%
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<i>Native/Asian American Subtotal</i>	\$	30,035.68	1.48%
(FN) KLP Construction Supply, Manor, TX (Hydrants, Fire, Pipe, Iron)	\$	30,035.68	1.48%
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WBE TOTALS - SUBCONTRACTORS	\$	44,000.00	2.18%
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(FW) Chlor-Serv Inc., Hutto, TX (Inspection, Testing, Cleaning)	\$	4,000.00	0.20%
(FW) Verity Civil Contracting, Inc., Taylor, TX (Hauling Services)	\$	40,000.00	1.98%
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NON MBE/WBE TOTALS - SUBCONTRACTORS	\$	403,102.04	19.92%
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Bennett Paving, Inc., Leander, TX (Paving/Resurfacing, Street)	\$	264,464.04	13.07%
Stripe It Up, LLC, Austin, TX (Signs, Barricades, Traffic)	\$	29,588.00	1.46%
AAR Inc., (AAR Incorporated), Houston, TX (Asbestos Removal)	\$	109,050.00	5.39%

The Contractor submitted an MBE/WBE Compliance Plan that met the goals of the solicitation and was approved by Austin Small and Minority Business Resources. Second and third low bidder information is provided.

SECOND BIDDER – Facilities Rehabilitation, Inc. \$2,200,368
96.28% M/WBE prime participation; 1.45% African American; 0.00% Hispanic; 0.68% Native/Asian American; 1.59% WBE; 0.00% Non M/WBE subcontractor participation.

THIRD BIDDER – Underground Water Solutions Company \$2,228,136
63.02% M/WBE prime participation; 1.42% African American; 0.00% Hispanic; 0.59% Native/Asian American; 1.32% WBE; 33.65% Non M/WBE subcontractor participation.