Item 8
Water & Wastewater Commission: November 10, 2026
Council: November 19, 2026

Posting Language

Recommend approval to authorize a contract for construction services to improve headworks equipment at the Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant for Austin Water with Matous Construction Ltd., in the amount of $20,382,000 plus a $2,038,200 contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed $22,420,200. Funding: $22,420,200 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 CLMC1170 for these services. The solicitation was issued on June 15, 2026, and closed on August 6, 2026. Of the two offers received, the bids submitted by the recommended contractors were the lowest responsive bids 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=144021.

MBE / WBE:

This contract will be awarded in compliance with the City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 4.94% MBE and 2.16% WBE participation.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

November 10, 2026 – To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

Additional Backup Information:

The Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant and Bird Observatory is located on a 1200-acre site that stretches along three and half miles of the Colorado River, approximately eight miles east of downtown Austin. The plant has grown into a nationally recognized and award-winning biosolids recycling facility and previously the recipient of a first-place award by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for its recycling program.

The plant was established in the 1950's and receives and treats biosolids generated by Austin's two regional wastewater treatment plants. The treatment process includes thickening, anerobic digestion, dewatering, composting, effluent ponds, and on-site irrigation. The treated sludge is recycled into a stable organic product marketed under the trade name Dillo Dirt™ that can be used safely as a fertilizer for City park facilities and sold to the general public as an EPA-certified soil conditioner.

The Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant headworks contains a screening process, which is the first step in the biosolid's treatment process. The existing headwork's equipment has limited capacity and has exceeded its useful service life. The purpose of this project is to replace the headworks facility entirely and add a new sludge receiving station. The new headworks will increase screening capacity, provide odor control, replace the existing screens which are at the end of their useful life and the critical electrical infrastructure.

This item includes thirteen allowances:
• An allowance of $50,000 will be used to address Soil and/or Groundwater Contamination.
• An allowance of $300,000 will be used to address Portable Generators and Docking Station.
• An allowance of $20,000 will be used to address Co-Generation Building Hoist Replacement.
• An allowance of $300,000 will be used to address Security System.
• An allowance of $5,000 will be used to address Site Access (Security Badges).
• An allowance of $20,000 will be used to address MS-1 Maintenance.
• An allowance of $50,000 will be used to address Section 17600 PLC Training.
• An allowance of $20,000 will be used to address Section 17620 Ethernet Switches.
• An allowance of $50,000 will be used to address Section 17620 Communication Equipment Training.
• An allowance of $15,000 will be used to address Section 17640 Workstations & Computers.
• An allowance of $5,000 will be used to address Delivery Signage.
• An allowance of $50,000 will be used to address FEB LD Panels.
• An allowance of $1,000,000 will be used to address Modify Temporary Thickening System.

An allowance is an amount that is specified and included in the construction contract or specifications for a certain item(s) of work when details are not determined at the time of bidding.

This contract will include award of an alternate bid item for galvanized steel for canopy structural members. An alternate bid is a specified item of the construction work that is priced separately and may be awarded as part of the contract, if the bids come within the specified budget.

Due to the potential for unforeseen conditions during construction, 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.

There will be no impact to the public as all work will be done on City property that is closed to the public.

Any delay in execution could have impacts on Austin Water's ability to process and treat biosolids pumped to the Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant from Austin's main wastewater treatment plants.

The contract allows 950 calendar days for completion of this project.

This project is located within zip code 78725 (District 2), within the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction.

Council Meeting: Month,

File ID:xx-xxxx (to be completed by FSD)

Austin

Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant Headworks Improvements Project Map CIP ID 3164.075



PROJECT GOALS OR SUBGOALS	
MBE (use only if MBE/WBE goal)	0.00%
AFRICAN AMERICAN	0.65%
HISPANIC AMERICAN	2.66%
NATIVE/ASIAN AMERICAN	0.37%
WBE	1.44%

Bidder: Matous Construction II, Ltd / Matous Construction, Ltd or Matous Construction
Sol#: CLMC1170
Project Name: Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant Headworks Improvemen

$18,600,000.00 Base Bid Amount

SUBGOALS: PROPOSED PARTICIPATION (Enter from the Bidder's Compliance Plan Summary Section III)		(enter $ amounts only)
AFRICAN AMERICAN	0.82%	$152,308.00
HISPANIC	3.62%	$672,400.00
NATIVE/ASIAN AMERICAN	0.50%	$92,800.00
WBE	2.16%	$401,600.00
NON-CERTIFIED	36.62%	$6,811,941.00
Total Subcontractor Participation	**43.72%**	
Bidder (Own Participation minus Subs)	56.28%	$10,468,951.00
TOTAL CP Summary	**100.00%**	

Enter Sub Details from Section IV-VI (This helps determine accurate ac (enter $ amounts only)

INDIVIDUAL SUBCONTRACTORS PARTICIPATION				Cert Y/N	Comm Code & Description	NOTES
Zacharias Johnson / The Habits Group	AA	$92,308.00	0.50%	Y	57076 - Steel, Reinforcing, Bars And Rods	57076 comm code NOT on Trade Summary - PM approved by email 8.13.26
Unism Development Co Inc	AA	$60,000.00	0.32%	Y	90937 Doors and Windows	
	AA	$0.00	0.00%			
	AA	$0.00	0.00%			
		$152,308.00	**0.82%**			
Zye Industrial Ltd	HIS	$652,400.00	3.51%	Y	91359 Construction And Upgrades, Wastewater Treatment Plant	
JAG Trucking	HIS	$20,000.00	0.11%	Y	96239 Hauling Services	
	HIS	$0.00	0.00%	Y		
	HIS	$0.00	0.00%			
		$672,400.00	**3.62%**			
Shah Systems And Technology Corporation	N/A	$92,800.00	0.50%	Y	2856778 Switchgears And Parts, Metal Clad	2856778 comm code NOT on Trade Summary - PM approved by email 8.13.26
	N/A	$0.00	0.00%			
	N/A	$0.00	0.00%			
	N/A	$0.00	0.00%			
		$92,800.00	**0.50%**			
Liquid Waste Solutions, LLC	WBE	$24,000.00	0.13%		97773 Toilets, Portable, Rental Or Lease	
Stephanie Braun Clayton, LLC / Stephanie Braun Clayton Photography	WBE	$22,000.00	0.12%		9157297 Photography, Construction	Listed in NON Section on Comp Plan, copied info to Sec IV Cert Firms & updated WBE & NON totals in Sec III Summary
Kristy Barnes / Bmb Industrial, LLC	WBE	$355,600.00	1.91%		28526 Conduit, Steel	
	WBE	$0.00	0.00%			
		$401,600.00	**2.16%**			
AK Fuquay Construction, LLC	NON	$14,523.00	0.08%		98814 Erosion Control Services	
T Morales Company Electric & Controls L	NON	$6,424,200.00	34.54%		91438 Electrical	
J R Schneider Construction	NON	$60,000.00	0.32%		91244 Excavation Services	
Texas Roofing Co., LP / Texas Roofing	NON	$11,452.00	0.06%		9123166 Roofing, Replacement & Repairs	
Custom Masonry Corp	NON	$84,361.00	0.45%		91455 Masonry	
Alpha Painting & Decorating	NON	$217,405.00	1.17%		91461 Painting	
	NON	$0.00	0.00%			
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	NON	$0.00	0.00%			
		$6,811,941.00	**36.62%**			

ALL SUBCONTRACTORS TOTAL	**$8,131,049.00**	**43.72%**

BIDDER'S OWN PARTICIPATION IN BASE BID (LESS AY AMOUNT SUBCONTRACTED):

nstruction, Ltd or Matous Construction	**$10,468,951.00**	**56.28%**	(enter $ amounts only)
TOTAL PARTICIPATION	**$18,600,000.00**	**100.00%**	

Verified by: L Barney

Date: 08.13.2026