

Thursday, May 3, 2007

Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 14

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with BENITEZ CONSTRUCTION, INC., (MBE/MH), Manor, TX, for the Austin Clean Water Program: Angelina Street Area Wastewater Improvements Project in an amount not to exceed \$794,138.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Capital Improvement Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Brenda Baker 479-1635, Gopal Guthikonda 703-6649, Laura Bohl 974-7064.

Purchasing Language: Lowest of seven bids received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals at 78.21% Prime MBE and 12.85% WBE subcontractor participation.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

This construction contract will provide for wastewater improvements within a mostly residential area located

in the eastern section of Austin near Angelina Street and Rosewood Avenue. The wastewater lines being installed are on Angelina Street at Cotton Street, Hackberry Street, Rosewood Avenue, and East 11th Street.

The improvements will replace aging and deteriorated wastewater facilities and eliminate the repeat wastewater overflows currently occurring in this area. This project is part of the Austin Water Utility's Austin Clean Water Program (ACWP) which was developed to respond to the requirements of the Environmental Protection Agency's Administrative Order regarding Sanitary Sewer Overflows.

This project includes construction of approximately 2,366 linear feet of existing 6-inch and 8-inch wastewater line with new 8-inch SDR 26 PVC (115 psi) pipe by open trench construction method. The proposed 8-inch wastewater will connect to an existing 10-inch concrete pipe. There are 60 known service connections on this line.

The contract allows 210 calendar days for completion of this project and is scheduled to begin June 2007.