

AGENDA



Thursday, October 11, 2007

Public Works
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**Item No. 17**

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with FACILITIES REHABILITATION, INC., Ft. Worth, TX, (MBE/MH 87.08%) for the Austin Clean Water Program: Little Walnut and Upper Ft. Branch Wastewater Improvements Project in the amount not to exceed \$433,505.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Lowest of three 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 with 0.0% MBE and 12.92% WBE subcontractor participation.

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

This project will involve the installation of 1,250 linear feet of 8-inch diameter wastewater pipe at depths varying from 5-15 feet via open trench installation. It will also include the relocation of 11 private laterals. Additionally, the project will include the restoration of pavement and vegetation affected by the construction effort.

The work will occur in a mostly residential area in northeast Austin along Rogge Lane and Manor Road. The contract allows 180 calendar days for substantial completion and is expected to begin November 2007.

Wastewater lines to be replaced have experienced one or more of the following problems: root intrusion, cracks, storm-water infiltration, collapsed pipe, missing pipe, holes and misaligned joints. All these conditions increase the probability of sanitary sewer overflows and therefore the existing lines will be abandoned after the new wastewater lines are in place. The 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.