

Thursday, February 14, 2008

Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 34

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with CAMP DRESSER & MCKEE, INC., for continued engineering services for the Water Reclamation Initiative - Central - Phase I - B elevated storage tank, in an amount of \$357,583 for a total agreement not to exceed \$2,152,006.

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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MBE/WBE: This contract was awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9B of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) with 39.6% MBE and 16.5% WBE subcontractor participation to date.

Boards and Commission Action: Considered by the Water and Wastewater Commission. (Related to items # 33 and #63)

Prior Council Action: October 28, 1999: Initial selection of Camp Dresser & McKee, Inc. for final design and construction phase services.

April 6, 2006: Supplemental amendment.

This amendment includes construction phase services for continuation of the 24-inch reclaimed pipeline from Berkman Drive to IH-35, design of a 2 Million Gallon reclaimed water elevated storage tank, and improvements to the existing pumps for the reclaimed water system located at the Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The project supports the redevelopment of the Mueller Site and adjacent service area including Bartholomew Park and the Combined Transportation Emergency Communication Center and provides infrastructure for expansion to Central Austin. The Mueller redevelopment uses for reclaimed water will include irrigation and mechanical cooling. An integral ingredient of this system is the construction of an elevated reclaimed water storage tank.

The 51st Street Water Tower Project Advisory Committee (PAC) was formed with representatives from the surrounding neighborhoods associations. The PAC developed a Tank Design Program & Process document and a Definitions of Acceptable Tower Types document. The Utility has agreed through the Professional Services Agreement with Camp, Dresser, & McKee, Inc. to design two tanks and allow Council to decide which of the two will be constructed. This additional design effort has added to the scope and expended existing contract funds, thus making this amendment necessary.