Thursday, March 6, 2008

## Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 17

**Subject:** Authorize execution of proposed Change Order #8 to the construction contract with BLAND/SCHROEDER/ARCHER, L.P., Austin, TX, for East St. Elmo Road from Todd Lane to Nuckols Crossing in an estimated amount of \$29,805.30, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$989,977.93.

**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 will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program)with 14.76% MBE and 12.06% WBE subcontractor participation to date.

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

Prior Council Action: January 30, 2003: Original contract awarded.

This project provides for the reconstruction of St. Elmo Road East from the intersection of Todd Lane to Nuckols Crossing. The work consists of full depth pavement reconstruction, construction of a 16-inch water line, wastewater service improvements, utility adjustments, minor grading improvements, utility relocations, guardrail installation and permanent pavement marking. The contract allows for 150 working days to complete the project.

This change order is necessary to add 4 air release valves including appurtenances and street repairs to the original contract amount and close out the contract. The air release valves are necessary because of a conflict with existing wastewater line service laterals. In order to avoid the services, the proposed water line was adjusted over the top of the wastewater services, thus creating the need for the air release valves.