Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 10

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with SMITH CONTRACTING CO., INC., Austin, Texas for Williamson Creek – Bannockburn Storm Drain Improvements in the amount of \$1,575,584.50 plus a \$78,779.50 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,654,364.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Lowest of 16 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) through the achievement of Good Faith Efforts with 5.69% MBE and 2.06% WBE subcontractor participation.

The scope of the project includes the construction of storm drain system improvements for the area along Convict Hill Road including Greenock and Loch Lommond Streets. The project will improve drainage protection for flood-prone neighborhood streets and residences including 12 houses with reported flooding.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions and utility conflicts when working in the right-of-way, a 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any future change orders. The contract allows 330 calendar days for completion of this project.