Thursday, August 28, 2008

## Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 14

**Subject:** Authorize execution of a construction contract with AARON CONCRETE CONTRACTORS, L.P. (MBE/MH 70.44%), Austin, Texas for the bridge North Bluff Drive at Pleasant Hill Tributaries, in an amount not to exceed \$305,368.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.

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 6.12% MBE and 15.54% WBE subcontractor participation.

This construction contract will replace an approximately 60 year old deteriorating bridge structure on North Bluff Drive at the Pleasant Hill Tributary. The project includes approximately 200 linear feet of roadway section repair, replacement of the existing bridge structure with two concrete box culverts and approximately 100 linear feet of new sidewalk. The construction will require the road to be closed for the duration of construction and detours will be provided.

The bid documents included a base bid with two alternates, each consisting of a separate bridge system option. Bidding the project with two alternate bridge systems allowed the flexibility to implement the more cost-effective option. The base bid included work required for both bridge systems. Alternate #1 was a pre-fabricated concrete bridge system and Alternate #2 was a cast-in-place concrete box culvert system. Alternate #2 was found to be the more cost-effective option and was therefore selected.

The contract allows 90 calendar days for substantial completion and an additional 30 calendar days for final completion of the project.