Thursday, September 25, 2008

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 13

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of Change Order #6 to the construction contract with JAY-RESE CONTRACTORS, INC., (NON-CERTIFIED 79.64%) Austin, Texas, for the ACWP Govalle 5 – Wethersfield Hartford Wastewater Improvements in the amount of \$518,151, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$6,162,795.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$518,151 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) by meeting the goals with 6.54% MBE and 4.50% WBE subcontractor participation to date including this change order.

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

Prior Council Action: August 30, 2007 Council approved award of the construction contract.

The purpose of this Austin Clean Water Program (ACWP) project is to provide 8,400 feet of new wastewater mains and 63 relocated private laterals in various locations with one or more of the following problems: root intrusion, cracks, stormwater infiltration, collapsed pipe, missing pipe, pipe sags/surcharge, holes, and dropped joints. The impacted streets include: West Lynn Street, Hartford Road, Jarratt Avenue, Wooldridge Drive, Hardouin Avenue, Polo Road, the alley between Eason and Elm Streets, Wethersfield Road, Windsor Road and Harris Boulevard.

The Austin Water Utility is adding replacement of the water and wastewater infrastructure on Summit View from Hartford Road to Woodlawn Boulevard to this project in order to maximize efficiency and minimize inconvenience to the public. This includes installation of 265 linear feet of 8-inch wastewater line in Summit View, 106 linear feet of 8-inch wastewater line in Enfield Road, 625 linear feet of 8-inch water line in Summit View, 10 corresponding wastewater service connections, 10 corresponding water service connections, and relocation of five private wastewater laterals (three on Summit View and two on Enfield Road).

The installation of the waterline in Summit View replaces an aged shallow waterline that has been the source of repeated maintenance issues. The installation of the two reaches of new wastewater line in Summit View and Enfield Road allows the AWU to abandon two troublesome wastewater lines that have been sources of repeat wastewater overflows. These wastewater lines also run across private property as well as under occupied private residential structures, severely limiting maintenance access and flexibility.

Due to the poor record documents and overall project history with undocumented utilities in the area, a 5% contingency has been added to the estimated value of proposed Change Order No. 6 (\$493,477 plus a \$24,674 contingency for a total of \$518,151).

The Notice to Proceed was issued November 12, 2007, with 216 calendar days allowed to substantial completion. The duration has been extended by 14 days in the change orders listed below. The project is currently approximately 85% complete.