

AGENDA



Thursday, October 23, 2008

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 3**

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with LEWIS CONTRACTORS, INC., BERTRAM, TX for the Green WTP Decommissioning & Deconstruction – Water Valve Isolation Package, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$584,615.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Lowest of 4 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 achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 2.90% MBE and 1.88% WBE subcontractor participation.

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

The Thomas C. Green Water Treatment Plant (GWTP), commissioned in 1924, is the oldest and smallest of Austin's water treatment plants, located in a land-locked site in downtown Austin. Although the plant has significant historical value, its location in the heart of Austin offers little flexibility for expansion.

For a number of reasons, including the facility's age, condition, and limited expansion potential, the GWTP is being decommissioned and will be deconstructed. Several significant water lines will require isolation prior to GWTP deconstruction. To compress the overall construction schedule, the water line isolations and associated relocations will be completed in this construction project before the deconstruction project begins. The project consists of isolation of: an existing 30-inch concrete steel cylinder (CSC) water main, an existing 24-inch cast iron (CI) water main, the east and west pump stations, the intake structure, service to the Maps & Records building, and service to the Storage Warehouse building.