Thursday, December 11, 2008

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 16

Subject: Authorize execution of three, 12 month construction contracts with PEABODY GENERAL CONTRACTORS, INC, Dripping Springs, TX, for wastewater line relays and spot repairs for the Austin Water Utility, in amounts not to exceed \$1,515,810 (Zone A), \$2,082,480 (Zone B) and \$1,515,810 (Zone C) respectively for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,114,100.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$5,114,100 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: Low Bid of five (5) 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 (Zones A through C) with 5.01% MBE, 1.23% WBE. subcontractor participation.

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

These contracts are for the spot repair of wastewater lines that are being cleaned and inspected by the City of Austin.

This will be the second award of the service contracts, which were effective as of May 15, 2006 and are set to expire on January 13, 2009. These contracts were bid for four zones or separate geographic service areas.

Due to the amount of work required, it was necessary to reduce the current contract area into three zones and separate contracts will be awarded for each zone. The bid documents stated that bidder could submit on one, two, or all three zones. Each of the five bidders submitted on all three zones. Peabody General Contractors submitted the low bid for each of the three zones.

The work involved will include some of the following types of repair services in all three zones: Repair wastewater lines by replacing existing pipe with new pipe; Repair wastewater lines by replacing or repairing a portion of an existing line at the point of failure; Replace and/or repair service laterals located within the utility easement or street right-of-way; Install new service laterals(s) from the wastewater main line to the property line; Rebuild and/or repair invert of existing manholes; Major manhole adjustment; Replace and/or construct new manholes; Install new cleanouts; and Abandonment of existing wastewater lines and manholes.

The bid included estimated quantities of all the types of work that will be needed in all three zones. These repair services will be performed on an as needed basis depending on individual project requirements within each zone.