

Thursday, December 18, 2008

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 13

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with CASH CONSTRUCTION CO., INC., Austin, Texas for West Bouldin Creek Site 97 Water Quality Pond in the amount of \$363,837 plus an \$18,191.85 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$382,028.85.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$363,837 plus an \$18,191.85 contingency is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection and Development Review.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of six (6) 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 achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 17.21% MBE and 1.05% WBE subcontractor participation.

The 2001 Watershed Protection and Development Review (WPDR) Master Plan rated West Bouldin Creek as a High priority due to degraded stream conditions (based on physical, chemical, and biological monitoring data) and because the creek discharges to Lady Bird Lake. The WPDR Master Plan identified the need to reduce pollutant loads being discharged to the West Bouldin Creek and Lady Bird Lake. In response to the WPDR Master Plan findings, funding was appropriated to investigate opportunities to provide storm water treatment in the West Bouldin Creek watershed. From that effort the "Site 97" project was identified as a significant opportunity to treat runoff from over 200 acres of existing urban development. Subsequently, WPDR has partnered with the Public Works Department to design and construct a storm water treatment plan which routes storm water into a sedimentation pond which discharges through a vegetative filter strip and then into West Bouldin Creek.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions when building a new water quality pond, a 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any future change orders. The contract allows 180 calendar days for completion of this project.