

Thursday, December 18, 2008

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 8

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with INSITUFORM TECHNOLOGIES, Buda, TX through the LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE for the rehabilitation of wastewater lines for the Austin Water Utility, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.

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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MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). This contract is a Cooperative Purchse; therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 252.022 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

Boards and Commission Action: To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission on December 17, 2008.

The trenchless construction technology allows repair of buried pipelines with minimal disruption to surrounding businesses, homes, and traffic. Due to its low cost, the technology is the preferred method for wastewater pipeline rehabilitation, where feasible. City of Austin currently uses Cured In Place Piping (CIPP) trenchless lining technology to rehabilitate the wastewater pipelines.

The current CIPP contract with Insituform Technologies Inc. for large diameter pipeline rehabilitation will expire on January 23, 2009 and the CIPP contract with Pro-line Technologies for small diameter pipeline rehabilitation has ended and is in the warranty period. This proposed procurement will provide services for continuation of both large and small diameter wastewater line CIPP rehabilitation while revised specifications and bid documents are being prepared for a new solicitation to bid and award a replacement contract. The duration of the contract will be limited to 12 months and will not be renewed.