

AGENDA



Thursday, January 15, 2009

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 17**

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with CASH CONSTRUCTION CO., INC., Pflugerville, TX for Robert Mueller Municipal Airport (RMMA) Redevelopment Service Extension Request (SER) 2278 North Pressure Zone Water Transmission Main (TM) Phase A in the amount of \$4,379,711 plus a \$218,989 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,598,700.

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 bid of nine (9) 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 3.38% MBE and 3.27% WBE subcontractor participation.

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

This project is one of eight projects included in the Master Development Agreement between the City of Austin and the SER applicant Catellus for the redevelopment of the former RMMA site. This is the third of three major water connections required to meet fire flow and potable water demands. The project includes approximately 8,914 linear feet of 30-inch ductile iron water line that is required to provide service to the north portion of the development. Construction of the water line will meet the requirements of the Master Development Agreement.

The project connects to a 30-inch water main north of Cameron Rd and US Hwy 290. Approximately 480 linear feet of the water line will be tunneled under US Hwy 290. The water line will then be bored under Cameron Rd to Briarcliff. From Briarcliff the line turns on Nassau to Suffolk to Berkman. The line proceeds on Berkman and will be bored under Tannehill Branch. It terminates across 51st St. inside the RMMA site.

The Austin Water Utility has held several public meetings with neighborhoods and businesses that will potentially be affected by the construction of the water transmission main. Communications with these groups will continue throughout the construction phase.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions and utility conflicts when working in the right-of-way, a 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 230 working days for substantial completion of this project.

Work is anticipated to start in March 2009 and continue until December 2009.