

Thursday, April 23, 2009

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 9

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the City and Travis County for construction of a 48-inch water transmission main (Segment 20 of the South IH-35 Water and Wastewater Improvements Program) as part of the County's McKinney Falls Parkway Improvements Project, from East William Cannon Drive to Thaxton Road, in an amount not to exceed \$4,750,000.

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

Segment 20 of the City's South IH-35 Water and Wastewater Program will be constructed entirely within the right-of-way acquired by Travis County for its McKinney Falls Parkway Improvements Project between Thaxton Road and East William Cannon Drive. The City and Travis County propose to combine the work into one project in order to maximize cost savings related to construction and minimize the impact to the traveling public. This 48-inch transmission main is scheduled to be constructed and functional by the end of 2010. The McKinney Falls Parkway Improvements project is part of the County's 2005 Bond Program. The County road improvement work will move a significant volume of earth prior to construction of the transmission main, which will prevent the need for deep trench cuts and large fill areas, resulting in cost and time savings. Travis County will utilize 12.90% HUB subcontractor participation for this project.

The City will place funds into an approved County construction escrow account for the City portion of the work as described, proposed project integration fees, in the estimated amount of \$50,000, for the City portion of the work will be placed into escrow within 21 calendar days following the execution of this Agreement. Also, funds for construction, in the estimated amount of \$4,700,000, for the City portion of the work will be placed into escrow within 21 calendar days following notification by the County of the successful bidder and the bid amount.