

AGENDA



Thursday, June 18, 2009

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 7**

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with TCB, INC. (an AECOM COMPANY), Austin, TX, for engineering services for Davis Water Treatment Plant Treated Water Discharge System in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.

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.

For More Information: Jim Randig 972-0259; Rosie Truelove 974-3064; April Thedford 974-7141

Purchasing Language: Best qualification statement of nine (9) statements received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9B of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 21.20% MBE and 16.00% WBE subconsultant participation.

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

The City of Austin utilizes surface water resources from Lake Austin. The City operates two existing water treatment plants, the Ullrich WTP and the Davis WTP, and currently has a third plant in design, Water Treatment Plant No. 4. Davis WTP was constructed in 1954 with equal capacity expansions in 1961 and 1973, with additional improvements in 1986, 1993, 1997, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2006 and 2007. The plant's treated water discharge system is composed of four underground clearwells, a medium service pump station and a high service pump station.

Services for this agreement are to include an overall evaluation of the plant's treated water discharge systems, including the medium service and high service Pump Stations, to determine and recommend the least life-cycle cost based, most environmentally sound and neighborhood friendly approach to meet the long-term utility water distribution needs from the plant.

In addition the following services are also included in the project amount listed: Preliminary Engineering, Final Design, and Construction Phase and Warranty Phase Services for the Davis WTP Treated Water Discharge System.

This request allows for the development of a professional service agreement with the recommended firm. Should the City be unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the recommended firm, negotiations will cease with that firm. Staff will then return to Council and request authorization to begin negotiations with the alternate recommendation listed below.

Firm Recommended: TCB Inc. (an AECOM Company)
Firm Recommended as Alternate: CDM