## Contract and Land Management

\$91,241.04 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,916,061.79.

Item No. 27

**Subject:** Authorize execution of a construction contract with BENITEZ CONSTRUCTION INC (MBE/MH), Manor, TX, for the West Campus Waterline Improvements in the amount of \$1,824,820.75 plus a

**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.

RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of thirteen (13) 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) by meeting the goals with 9.58% MBE and 4.46% WBE subcontractor participation.

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

This project is Phase 1 of the West Campus Waterline Improvements. The purpose of the project is to upsize the existing water lines in an effort to meet the growing demand of water due to the redevelopment in the area.

The work consists of upsizing existing 2-inch, 4-inch and 6-inch water lines with approximately 358 linear feet of 6-inch Ductile Iron (DI) water line; 3,443 linear feet of 8-inch PVC water line; 7,446 linear feet of 12-inch PVC water line; and 435 linear feet of 8-inch PVC SDR 26 wastewater line.

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 future change orders.

The contract allows 362 calendar days for completion of this project.