

## AGENDA



Thursday, August 27, 2009

**Contract and Land Management  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 10**

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**Subject:** Authorize execution of a construction contract with RANGER EXCAVATING, L.P., Austin, TX, for FM 812 Landfill Final Closure and Erosion Control Improvements project in the amount of \$5,404,270 plus a \$270,213.50 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,674,483.50.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Solid Waste Services Department.

**Fiscal Note:** A fiscal note is attached.

**For More Information:** Steve R. Nelson 974-7145; Tony Davee 974-1923; Robin Field 974-7064; April Thedford 974-7141

**Purchasing Language:** Lowest bid of ten (10) 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 7.51% MBE and 7.25% WBE subcontractor participation.

**Boards and Commission Action:** Reviewed by the Solid Waste Advisory Commission.

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This project pertains to the final closure of the City of Austin's FM 812 municipal solid waste (MSW) landfill. The landfill began operation in 1968 and ceased accepting putrescible MSW in 1999 due to the opening of the Austin Bergstrom International Airport. After 1999, the landfill could accept only Type IV material (inert building and construction debris). The landfill has reached the end of its operational life and is scheduled to close in October 2009. This project involves placement of a final cap and cover on four landfill waste cells, and the associated drainage improvements. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has approved the final closure plans.

The project also includes repair and improvements to an existing gabion erosion control system on Onion Creek along the northern boundary of FM 812 Landfill. The gabions were initially installed in 1995, and are beginning to fail.

A 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 240 calendar days for completion of this project.