

AGENDA



Thursday, September 24, 2009

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Item No. 21

Subject: Authorize the use of the Design-Build method for contracting for construction, rehabilitation, alteration, or repair of a facility in accordance with Local Government Code, Chapter 271, Subchapter H, Section 271.119, for major improvements to three aquatic facilities (Bartholomew, West Enfield, and Deep Eddy) identified in the 2006 Bond Pool Replacement Program.

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The 2006 Bond provides funding for the Pool Replacement Program in order to demolish, renovate, and re-construct three (3) significant aquatic facilities in Austin. The estimated \$8.5 million program will include replacement of Bartholomew Pool, West Enfield Pool and Deep Eddy Pool.

City Council authorization is requested to use the Design-Build project delivery method set forth in the Texas Local Government Code to achieve the Pool Replacement Program. Aquatic facility renovations and improvements of this magnitude will consist of specialized design and construction services necessary to incorporate specialized complex plumbing, disinfection, unique maintenance considerations, and non-traditional elements to aquatic facilities, along with standard building construction issues such as concrete, foundations, and structures. As such, they require a combined knowledge of classical construction issues, uniquely aquatic issues, along with programmatic considerations provided by aquatic design-builders.

The services will be provided by a qualified and experienced design-builder offering the best value to the City. One contract will be awarded for work on all three aquatic facilities. As provided by Subchapter H, Section 271.119, Texas Local Government Code, Design-Build Contracts for Facilities, the City is contracting the design-build proposal method for design, construction, rehabilitation, alteration and repair of a facility.