Thursday, October 22, 2009

## Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 14

**Subject:** Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with URS CORPORATION, A NEVADA CORPORATION, Austin, TX, for additional preliminary engineering and program management services for the South IH-35 Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements Program in an amount not to exceed \$3,407,736 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$9,998,902.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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**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) with 31.42% MBE and 8.37% WBE subconsultant participation to date.

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

**Prior Council Action:** November 8, 2007 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with URS Corporation, a Nevada Corporation; September 25, 2008 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services contract for additional preliminary engineering and program management services.

On November 8, 2007, Council authorized negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with a Program Management Consultant (PMC) to assist the Austin Water Utility (AWU) in developing and implementing plans to provide regional water and wastewater infrastructure improvements to serve the southern area of the City of Austin, specifically along and east of IH-35 within the Desired Development Zone. The authorization provided funding of professional services related to both program management and preliminary engineering for the Program. Improvements identified in the preliminary engineering phase are being designed by other consultants, either selected from the City's engineering rotation lists or working under agreements associated with Service Extension Requests (SER).

To date, the PMC has assisted AWU with identifying the needed improvements and completed preliminary engineering, and is providing program management services throughout the design phase of the Program. This contract amendment is required to procure additional services associated with Preliminary Engineering, Design Phase, Bid & Award Phase, and Construction.