Thursday, March 25, 2010

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 16

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with MCLEAN CONSTRUCTION, LTD., Killeen, TX, for the South IH-35 Water/Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements Program - Segment 6 project in the amount of \$1,054,992, plus a \$52,750 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,107,742.

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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Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of eleven (11) 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 20.62% MBE and 4.26% WBE subcontractor participation.

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

The South IH-35 Water/Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements Program will provide water and wastewater service to developing areas in southeast Austin as part of the Austin Water Utility's (AWU) long-range plan. Segment 6 runs parallel to IH-35 from the 11410 block to the 12200 block of the southbound IH-35 service road. The project is located south of Onion Creek Parkway in the 78748 zip code.

The project includes 2,865 linear feet of 36-inch diameter water pipe to be constructed by open-cut trench and 272 linear feet of 36-inch diameter water pipe to be constructed by boring to avoid driveways and protected trees. The project will also include water line appurtenances, sidewalk, and the restoration of vegetation affected by the construction effort.

A five percent contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 164 calendar days for completion of this project. The contract price includes a \$1,500 allowance for tree fertilizer and a \$10,000 allowance for possible delays associated with the availability of water for testing and disinfection.