

AGENDA



Thursday, May 27, 2010

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 18**

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with S. J. LOUIS CONSTRUCTION OF TEXAS, LTD., San Antonio, TX, for the South IH-35 Onion Creek Golf Course Interceptor, South Tunnel in the amount of \$7,833,851 plus a \$783,385 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$8,617,236.

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.

For More Information: Jim Steed 974-1163; Joe Hoepken, P.E. 972-1171; Susan Garnett 974-7064; April Thedford 974-7141

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of eight (8) 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 9.31% MBE and 2.82% WBE subcontractor participation.

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

This construction contract will extend additional wastewater interceptors to the rapidly developing southeast area of Austin near Onion Creek, providing long-term solutions to address regional growth. The Golf Course Interceptor, a segment of the Onion Creek Wastewater Interceptor, will be located within existing City right of way across and underneath the golf course at the Onion Creek Country Club, terminating on the west side of the southbound IH-35 access road just south of Onion Creek Parkway. This interceptor is included in the Austin Water Utility's (AWU) South IH-35 Water/Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements Program and is part of the AWU Long-Range Master Plan.

The project includes the construction of approximately 7,500 linear feet of 42-inch diameter fiberglass-reinforced mortar pipe to be installed by tunneling. The Golf Course Interceptor will connect to other segments of the Onion Creek Interceptor and to the existing wastewater system. The tunnel work will also include grouting of the annular space between the pipe and the tunnel, as well as the construction of manholes and permanent access shafts to the new wastewater line and restoration of disturbed surface areas.

A 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 600 calendar days for completion, and work is scheduled to begin in July of 2010. The project is located within zip code 78748.