

AGENDA



Thursday, August 5, 2010

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 8**

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with CAPITAL EXCAVATION COMPANY, Austin, TX for the Rio Grande Street from West Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard to 24th Street Reconstruction and Utility Adjustments Project, an ACCELERATE AUSTIN PROJECT, in the amount of \$4,398,194.69 plus a \$219,909.73 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,618,104.42.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$3,487,561.54 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department. Funding in the amount of \$877,414.88 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding in the amount of \$253,128 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009–2010 Capital Budget of the Planning and Development Review Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Jessica Salinas, 974-7646; Susan Garnett, 974-7064; Sarah Terry, 974-7141

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of 6 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) through the achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 8.99% MBE and 7.36% WBE subcontractor participation.

Boards and Commission Action: The Accelerate Austin Program was recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

This project is part of the 2006 Bond Street Reconstruction Program. The project limits are Rio Grande Street from West Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard to 24th Street. The work will include new sidewalks, trees, amenities, water, wastewater, storm sewer improvements, and full depth street reconstruction. Work is slated to begin in September 2010 with an estimated completion date of August 2011. Eleven neighborhood associations were contacted and updated on the project.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions and utility conflicts when working in the right of way, a 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 300 calendar days for substantial completion of this project.

This project is located within zip code 78705.