Thursday, August 26, 2010

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 9

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with PEPPER-LAWSON, L.P., Katy, TX for the S IH-35 Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements Program – Pilot Knob Pump Station in the amount of \$6,890,000 plus a \$689,000 contingency for a total amount not to exceed \$7,579,000.

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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974-1171; Susan Garnett, 974-7064; Sarah Terry, 974-7141

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of 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) through achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 2.23 % MBE and 21.26 % WBE subcontractor participation.

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

This project is part of the South IH-35 Water and Wastewater Improvements Program (S I-35 WWWP) that will provide water and wastewater service to the southeast Austin area in accordance with the Austin Water Utility's long-range plan.

This contract is for construction of the 22 million gallon per day (MGD) Pilot Knob Pump Station. This pump station will serve as the secondary pumping source for the Austin Water Utility's South Pressure Zone and may be expanded to 50 MGD in the future. The project will consist of a 5,876 square foot masonry building as well as pumps, motors, piping, valves, flow meters, electrical switchgear, conduit, wiring, PLC control system and a 3,250 linear foot access road. The project will also include storm-water sedimentation pond, filtration basin, detention pond sanitary sewer septic system, evapotranspiration bed, site grading and related site improvements.

A 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 395 working days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78744.