

AGENDA



Thursday, February 17, 2011

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 9**

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with AUSTIN UNDERGROUND, INC. (DBE/MH-86.32%), Austin, TX for Lake Austin Boulevard Bikeway in the amount of \$823,047.80 plus a \$82,304.80 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$905,352.60.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Chad Crager, 974-3570; Mike Curtis, 974-7056; Susan Garnett, 974-7064; Felecia Shaw 974-7141

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of 6 bids received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program) and Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goal with 83.26% DBE prime and 3.06% DBE subcontractor participation.

Prior Council Action: October 5, 2006 - Council approved the Advance Funding Agreement with TxDOT; October 5, 2006 - Council approved the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and TxDOT for the project.

This project will improve and widen existing bike lanes on the south and north sides of Lake Austin Boulevard, from Exposition Boulevard to Red Bud Trail. On the north side of the street, the roadway surface will be widened and drainage improvements will be made. Seven-foot concrete bike lanes will be constructed on the north side and five-foot concrete bike lanes will be constructed on the south side. Street striping will also be replaced. These bike lanes will provide a bicycle connection to the Lower Colorado River Authority office complex, various area establishments, and to a large University of Texas apartment complex.

Due to the complexity of constructing the concrete bike lanes on a high-use roadway near operating businesses, residences and the LCRA office complex, as well as the potential for unknown subsurface conditions and utility conflicts, a 10% contingency is requested for this project.

The contract allows 255 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78759.