Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 6

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with SMITH CONTRACTING COMPANY, Austin, TX for the Group 4A Montana Street & Felix Avenue Street Reconstruction & Utilities Adjustment Project, an ACCELERATE AUSTIN PROJECT, in the amount of \$897,034 plus a \$44,851.70 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$941,885.70.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$649,254.48 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department. Funding in the amount of \$292,631.22 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Lowest of four bids received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 7.16% MBE and 2.47% WBE subcontractor participation.

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

This project is part of the 2006 Bond Street Reconstruction Program. The project limits are Montana Street from Vargas Road to Lawrence Street and Felix Avenue from Richardson Lane to Vargas Road. The work includes 1,911 linear feet of water line, two wastewater manholes and 852 linear feet of storm sewer line prior to full depth street reconstruction, new sidewalks, and curb and gutter. Work is scheduled to begin in April 2011 with an estimated completion date of December 2011. Businesses and residents 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 has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders.

The contract allows 150 working days for substantial completion of this project. This project is located in zip code 78741.