



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Council Members
From: Greg Meszaros, Director, Austin Water Utility
Date: September 29, 2011
Subject: Ratification for Ford Street Emergency Waterline Replacement

On February 18, 2011, due to repeat failures, I signed an emergency affidavit for the repair of a 6 inch water main located along Ford Street. These failures caused extended water outages, extensive damages to the road and private property, and were potential sources of contamination for the distribution system. In order to prevent additional failure, it was determined the best course of action was to immediately replace the main.

Due to the specialized construction methods required, and the short timeline, the scope of the repairs was beyond the capabilities of the Utility's workforce. The contract was establish utilizing Texas Statewide Cooperative Purchasing Contract (buy board) pricing. Construction began March 2nd and was completed March 10th.

It is anticipated the ratification of the emergency contract with Insituform Technologies, for \$141,895.50, will soon go before Council for your consideration.

Should you have any questions concerning this emergency purchase, please don't hesitate to contact me.


Greg Meszaros, Director
Austin Water Utility

Cc: Marc A. Ott, City manager
Rudy Garza, Assistant City Manager
Byron Johnson, Purchasing Officer