

CIP EXPENSE DETAIL

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:
CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

5/24/12
Austin Water Utility

SUBJECT. Authorize award and execution of a contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) with AMC INDUSTRIES, INC. for the purchase of a Rainbird Irrigation System for the Hancock Golf Course for the Parks and Recreation Department in an amount not to exceed \$233,290.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

Department:	Austin Water Utility
Project Name:	Hancock Gc Irrigation System & Reimb
Fund/Department/Unit:	3990 2207 4060
Funding Source:	Commercial Paper
Current Appropriation:	510,000.00
Unencumbered Balance:	410,000.00
Amount of This Action:	<u>(233,290.00)</u>
Remaining Balance:	<u>176,710.00</u>
Total Amount of this Action	<u><u>233,290.00</u></u>

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: This contract will be for the purchase of a Rainbird Irrigation System for the Hancock Golf Course and will include a customized system with a central computer connected to remote radio-controls, sprinkler-heads, and pump-station. The system is designed for individual sprinkler-head control allowing precise amounts of water to be applied to individual areas.

Austin Water (AW) and the Parks and Recreation Department (PARC) have worked together to prepare for the provision of using reclaimed water from the Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant for irrigation use at Hancock Golf Course. Austin Water will provide funding for construction of a reclaimed water irrigation system at the Hancock Golf Course. The funds will come from Austin Water's Capital Improvement Budget, PARC will reimburse Austin Water through the waiving of future payments for Austin Water easement acquisitions which the utility has to acquire from time to time for the construction of potable water, reclaimed water, and wastewater facilities. (A copy of the full agreement between PARC and AW is included in the backup.)

PARC will design, construct, and manage the construction of a reclaimed water irrigation system and associated plumbing improvements, including a meter vault, reclaimed backflow preventer and the connection to a reclaimed water main in Red River.

The purchase of the pipes and fittings needed to complete the installation of the new irrigation system has been competitively bid and will be presented on a separate Request for Council Action.

AMC Industries has the distributorship for the Austin /Houston/ San Antonio region for Rainbird Golf Irrigation Systems and will provide the training for PARC staff, support, and initial programming of the system.

AMC Industries is contracted through BuyBoard to supply these materials statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the BuyBoard contract provides for local government agencies to make use of their collective purchasing power and is authorized under the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code.