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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	16067	Agenda Number	50.
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Meeting Date:	June 28, 2012
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Approve ratification of Amendment No. 1 to the contract with EXCEL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, LLC, for emergency repairs to the Ullrich Water Treatment Plant raw water header of the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$89,619 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$460,619.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	Emergency Purchase.
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Prior Council Action:	September 22, 2011- Council approved ratification of the initial emergency repairs contract.
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For More Information:	Stephen T. Aden, Purchasing Manager, 972-4040.
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Boards and Commission Action:	Reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.
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Related Items:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract was awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore no goals were established for this solicitation.
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Additional Backup Information

On June 15, 2011, an emergency repair contract (# CT 2200 11061501082) was entered into with Excel Construction Services, LLC, Leander, TX for the repair of the raw water pump station discharge header due to severe corrosion, and leakage discovered at the facility. The deteriorated conditions of components of the header system indicated susceptibility to failure that could cause further damage to the pump station, potentially resulting in a shutdown of the Ullrich Water Treatment Plant.

During the repair of the raw water header it was noted that several large valves failed to operate correctly. These valves were required to isolate the raw water header for repairs and to restore the pump station to firm capacity before repairs could be completed. Due to the emergency declaration under the original contract and since the contractor was on-site needing to complete the repairs, it was deemed necessary to modify the existing contract and proceed with the repairs.

It was determined that an emergency situation still existed due to possible flooding in the Raw Water Pump Station, which would likely result in an unanticipated shutdown of the Ullrich Water Treatment Plant for an extended period of time, therefore, under the provisions of the Local Government Code 252.022 (2), it was necessary to proceed as an emergency purchase to preserve and protect the public health and safety of the municipality's residents; normal purchasing procedures were not followed.

The contract was modified on April 13, 2012, and the vendor was provided approval for the repairs to begin.