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Recommendation for Council Action (CCO)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

54656

Agenda Number

10.

Meeting Date:

February 25, 2016

Department:

Capital Contracting Office

Subject

Authorize execution of Change Order # 4 to the construction contract with MOUNTAIN CASCADE OF TEXAS, LLC, for the Bellingham Meadows/William Wallace Lift Station Wastewater Relief Main in the amount of \$167,470, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,943,415.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:

Original contract was awarded to Mountain Cascade of Texas, LLC on August 7, 2014 through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation process.

Prior Council Action:

August 7, 2014 – Original contract was awarded to Mountain Cascade of Texas, LLC.

For More Information:

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Boards and Commission Action:

February 10, 2016 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Lee recusing and Commissioners Turrieta and Blanding absent.

Related Items:

MBE / WBE:

This contract was awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program by meeting the goals with 19.52% MBE and 2.63% WBE participation.

Additional Backup Information

The purpose of the Bellingham Meadows/William Wallace Lift Station Wastewater Relief Main project is to provide much needed relief for the William Wallace Lift Station, and to meet the City's long range planning goals for this area. The project is located in northeast Austin along East Parmer Lane in the City's designated Desired Development Zone. It begins east of S.H. 130 and continues west along East Parmer Lane and continues southwest to the existing William Wallace Lift Station site located on William Wallace Way.

The project originally consisted of the installation of approximately 3,255 feet of 15-inch gravity wastewater main, 4,530 feet of 18-inch gravity wastewater main, 335 feet of 8-inch water main relocation, and associated appurtenances. Unexpected conflicts with existing telecommunication lines in several locations along the project route caused significant delay and required a redesign of certain sections of the new wastewater main.

In addition to the utility conflicts, an emergency bypass at the William Wallace Lift Station was required due to an electrical pump failure after a thunderstorm in June 2015. The Contractor assisted the City of Austin with a temporary bypass by allowing the lift station to discharge into the sanitary sewer main installed by the Contractor. The Contractor was then required to clean the entire wastewater main prior to re-commencing with closed-circuit television testing. The voluntary assistance by the Contractor helped the City avoid a sanitary sewer overflow.

The extra work, in the form of exploratory excavation, was required in order to provide the Engineer with adequate information to redesign the alignment of the proposed wastewater main. Change Order # 4 will close out this project.

Although the project is still moving forward, these unforeseen issues have slowed the project down. If the proposed change order is not approved, there will be a delay in completing this relief project for the William Wallace Lift Station.

This change order has been approved by the City's Change Control Committee. The Change Control Committee was established to comply with Council Resolution No. 20120126-048, which required the establishment of consistent criteria and process to evaluate contractual changes for all contracts administered by the Capital Contracting Office. The Change Control Committee is comprised of management-level subject matter experts.

This project is located within zip code 78653 (just outside of the boundary of District 1). The project is managed by Austin Water.

Mountain Cascade of Texas, LLC, is headquartered in Mansfield, Texas.