

# **Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council Item ID 70667 Agenda Number 22.

Meeting Date: 5/18/2017 Department: Public Works Department

## Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the interlocal agreement with Williamson County for Forest North, Pearson Ranch Road, Bayswater Gardens, and Lakeline Boulevard Improvement Projects in the amount of \$229,450.96 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,638,884.05. (District 6)

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$229,450.96 is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Capital Budget of Austin Water.

#### Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	December 17, 2015: Approved authorization to negotiate and execute an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and Williamson County in an amount not to exceed \$1,409,433.09.
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	December 9, 2015: Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission with a vote of 9-0-0-2 with Commissioner's Christianne Castleberry and Annie Kellough absent.  April 12, 2017: Not reviewed by Water and Wastewater Commission due to lack of quorum.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

## Additional Backup Information

The interlocal agreement provided estimated funding to Williamson County for the Forest North, Pearson Ranch Road, Bayswater Gardens and Lakeline Boulevard improvement projects. The agreement includes the design and construction cost of City of Austin water lines, wastewater lines, and appurtenances that conflict with proposed roadway and storm drainage improvements. The roadway in the interlocal agreement was identified as a transportation improvement project by the County. Executing the interlocal agreement brought together the efforts of the County and Austin Water in the design and construction of the roadway improvements and utility adjustments to minimize impacts to the public and save costs. The interlocal agreement allowed Austin Water to pay Williamson County an estimated amount of \$210,461.00 for design and \$1,089,974.62 for construction plus a 10% contingency amount of \$108,997.47 for a total contract agreement not to exceed \$1,409,433.09.

Additional authorization in the amount of \$229,450.96 is requested for the Forest North project due to change orders and actual bid results. The certified bid price was \$956,465.27 which was \$85,974.21 higher than the Engineer's

estimate of \$870,491.06. The major difference between the engineer estimate and the contractor price is in the unit price of the "Pipe, 8" Diameter, DI CL 350 (All Depths) With Restrained Joints including Excavation and Backfill" item. While the average unit price used by the engineer was \$60 per linear foot, the contract unit price is \$85 per linear foot, accounting for the \$61,725.00 price difference. In addition, removal and disposal of approximately 1340 linear feet of 6" and 8" asbestos cement pipe and installation of approximately 74 linear feet of 8" Diameter ductile iron pipe necessitates approval of a change order for an amount of \$143,476.75 including the cost required for trench repair, surface restoration, traffic control and barricades. Construction of Forest North began in August 2016 and is expected to be complete by March 2018.

Per the interlocal agreement the City provides funding to Williamson County for all costs associated with engineering design, testing and construction costs of Austin Water improvements, including the cost of change orders made necessary by field changes to address unanticipated conditions under the terms and conditions in the agreement.

These projects are located within zip code 78729, 78717 and 78613. Forest North, Pearson Ranch Road and Bayswater Gardens are located inside of the 2-mile extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ). Lakeline Boulevard is located inside of the city limits within Council District 6.

The projects are managed by the Public Works Department.