



**Recommendation for  
Water & Wastewater Commission – 19-3252**

<b>Commission Meeting Date:</b>	October 9, 2019
<b>Council Meeting Date:</b>	October 31, 2019
<b>Department:</b>	Capital Contracting Office
<b>Client:</b>	Ryan Baxter, Gareth Nicely, Bill Stauber
<b>SUBJECT</b>	
Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Blastco Texas, Inc., for Davis Lane # 1 Reservoir Improvements in the amount of \$4,847,473.00 plus contingency of \$484,747.30 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,332,220.30.	
<b>AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING</b>	
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Department.	
<b>Purchasing Language:</b>	Lowest responsive bid of three bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation.
<b>Prior Council Action:</b>	
<b>Boards and Commission Action:</b>	October 9, 2019 – To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.
<b>MBE/WBE:</b>	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) through the achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 5.02% MBE and 8.32% WBE participation.

Davis Lane # 1 is a 10 million-gallon potable water reservoir. This project is part of an annual recoating and safety improvement program for the City of Austin's water storage reservoirs. This program is in place to maintain the different reservoirs supplied by the City's public water supply. This contract includes recoating, structural, security, site, and safety improvements to the reservoir and site. Work on this project includes preparing the surface and coating the interior and exterior portion of the reservoir. It also includes installing structural and safety improvements, new cathodic protection systems, new roof hatches and vents, and repairs and restoration to aged equipment. Site improvements are also being made as a part of the project including, but not limited to site grading improvements, improvements to overflow structures, site pavement improvements, vault and valve improvements, and miscellaneous site and pump station coating improvements.

This item includes \$30,000 in allowances. The allowance will be used to address Contaminated Soil and Water. An allowance is an amount that is specified and included in the construction contract or specifications for a certain item(s) of work whose details are not yet determined at the time of bidding.

Due to the potential for unanticipated field conditions or adjustments, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. A contingency is an additional amount of money added to the construction budget to cover any unforeseen construction costs associated with the project.

The contract allows 180 Calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78745 (District 5).

Blastco Texas, Inc. is located in Channelview, TX.

Information on this solicitation is available through the City's Austin Finance Online website. Link: [Solicitation Documents](#).

**M/WBE Summary**

Public notice was given for this solicitation CLMC756, Davis Lane #1 Reservoir Improvements, through the City’s Vendor Connection web portal. Three bids were received and opened on September 5th. None of the bids received were from MBE/WBE certified firms. Blastco Texas, Inc. submitted the lowest responsive bid including an allowance of \$30,000.00:

	<u>Base Bid</u>	<u>Base Bid + Allowance</u>
Blastco Texas, Inc.	\$4,817,473	\$4,847,473
N.G Painting, LP	\$4,983,219	\$5,013,219
TMI Coatings	\$5,541,800	\$5,571,800

The contractor’s choice of work methodology provides for seven areas of subcontracting opportunities which are listed below. Participation goals stated in the solicitation were 1.32% African American; 4.63% Hispanic; 1.20% Native/Asian; and 0.49% WBE. Total participation estimated on base bid amount:

**Base Bid: \$ 4,817,473.00**

PRIME	NON M/WBE TOTAL	\$	2,989,125.00	62.05%
	Blastco Texas, Inc., Channelview TX	\$	2,989,125.00	62.05%
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MBE TOTALS - SUBCONTRACTORS		\$	241,996.00	5.02%
	<i>African American Subtotal</i>	\$	171,996.00	3.57%
	(MB) CVI Development, LLC, Austin, TX, (Hauling Services)	\$	171,996.00	3.57%
	<i>Hispanic Subtotal</i>	\$	-	0.00%
		\$	-	0.00%
	<i>Native/Asian American Subtotal</i>	\$	70,000.00	1.45%
	(MA) Benquest, Austin, TX (Fuel)	\$	70,000.00	1.45%
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WBE TOTALS - SUBCONTRACTORS		\$	400,890.00	8.32%
	(FW) Merrigan Electric, Leander, TX (Electrical)	\$	400,890.00	8.32%
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NON MBE/WBE TOTALS - SUBCONTRACTORS		\$	1,185,462.00	24.61%
	Quality Welding & Fabrication	\$	650,607.00	13.51%
	Keep It Real Photography, San Antonio, TX (Construction Photo	\$	7,000.00	0.15%
	Corrpro Waterworks, Conyers, GA (Cathodic Protection Services	\$	76,750.00	1.59%
	Peabody General Contractors, Austin, TX	\$	451,105.00	9.36%

The Contractor submitted a MBE/WBE Compliance Plan that demonstrated a Good Faith Effort and was approved by the Small and Minority Business Resources Department. Second and third low bidder information is provided.

**SECOND BIDDER** – N.G Painting LP, Kerrville, TX \$4,983,219  
 Prime Participation: 0% MBE; 0.49% WBE; 14.00% Non M/WBE subcontractor participation.

**THIRD BIDDER** – TMI Coatings, St. Paul, MN \$5,541,800  
 Prime participation: 9.00% African American; 0% Hispanic; 0% Native/Asian; 22.00% WBE; 1.00% Non M/WBE participation.