Thursday, February 25, 2010

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 23

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with KEYSTONE CONSTRUCTION, INC., Austin, TX, for the Loop 360 Water Improvements – Allen Road Pump Station Project in the amount of \$4,609,981 plus a \$224,249.05 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,834,230.05.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of four (4) bids received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 6.75% MBE and 4.46% WBE subcontractor participation.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

This project is the third of four projects to increase the water pressure and fire protection flow in the Loop 360 corridor service area. This project includes 16-inch and 24-inch water lines along Allen Road, pressure reducing valves and construction of a pump station within a building and related site improvements, including landscaping and fencing at 1307 Allen Road (78740). Meetings were held with impacted neighborhood associations, residents and local schools to explain the project and receive input. Notices have been hand delivered to impacted residences.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions and utility conflicts when working in the right of way, a 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 360 calendar days for completion of this project.