Item No. 13

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with MURPHY PIPELINE CONTRACTORS, INC., Jacksonville, FL, for the Elroy Road Water Rehabilitation, Phase 1 Water Main Replacement Project in the amount of \$786,210, plus a \$39,310.50 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$825,520.50.

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 8.48% MBE and 2.24% WBE subcontractor participation.

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

This project is part of the Austin Water Utility's Water Asset Management Program. Its purpose is to replace 7,360 linear feet of deteriorated 6-inch diameter cast iron water line on Elroy Rd. The project is being coordinated with Travis County in order to complete the work prior to the initiation of a county roadwork project.

The existing cast iron 6-inch water line was constructed in the mid-1950s and has a history of breaks. The proposed 10-inch High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) pipe will improve service to this area of the Central Water Pressure Zone. This project will be constructed using the trenchless Pipe Bursting method. Water services, fire hydrants and valves will be installed by open cut excavation.

The project is generally located along Elroy Road, beginning 900 linear feet east of Kellam Road and ending at the intersection of Elroy Road and Larkdale Lane.

A 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 120 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78617.