Thursday, June 10, 2010

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 9

Subject: Authorize execution of change order #3 to the construction contract with AUSTIN UNDERGROUND, INC., Lago Vista, TX, (MBE/MH-88.08%) for the Oak Lawn Neighborhood Storm Drain Improvements in the amount of \$215,973, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,674,834.61.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$215,973 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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MBE/WBE: This contract was awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Business Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) with 88.08% MBE PRIME and 1.53% MBE and 7.47% WBE subcontractor participation to date, including this change order.

Prior Council Action: September 24, 2009 – Council authorized the execution of a construction contract with AUSTIN UNDERGROUND, INC.

This construction contract includes storm drain system improvements, generally along and around Meander Drive in East Austin. Expected project benefits include the reduction of localized flooding threats to over 90 homes in the area. Additionally, this project will provide increased flood protection to 17 buildings and yards where flooding has been documented. This project, which is funded by 2006 Bond funds, is a very high priority as identified in the Watershed Protection Department's Master Plan.

Due to a discrepancy in one of the bid items, additional material quantities were required for the project related to trench repair. The City worked with the contractor to substitute a less costly material; however, the determined solution still results in a net increase in the overall contract. In addition, City staff has agreed to upsize the contracted storm drain system improvements along Oak Cliff Drive to accommodate Travis County Facilities Management's planned development in this area.