

AGENDA



Thursday, August 26, 2010

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 8**

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with EXCEL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, L.L.C., Leander, Texas for Lake Creek Lift Station Improvements in the amount of \$309,000 plus a \$30,900 contingency, for a total amount not to exceed \$339,900.

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.

For More Information: Roger C. Brown, 972-0247; John Hilbun, 974-7009; Sarah Terry, 974-7141

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of 3 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) through achievement of Good Faith Efforts with 4.5% MBE and 0.9% WBE subcontractor participation.

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

The Lake Creek Lift Station was put into operation in 1989, and provides wastewater collection service to the area West of Parmer Lane in the Lake Creek Basin. This Lift Station is reaching its pumping capacity during peak wastewater flow conditions. Existing pumps in the Lift Station have the needed capacity to serve the area during peak flow conditions, but require backup capacity in case of a pump failure as required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) regulations.

The proposed project will provide a self priming diesel powered pump mounted on the surface that will act as a standby pump. This project will also rehabilitate miscellaneous piping appurtenances, and will provide associated piping and accessories that are required for the pump operation. The pump will have independent controls for its operation. In addition to providing the needed backup capacity during wet weather conditions, the pump will also be available when the electric power is out and will provide 5,000 gallon per minute (gpm) pumping capacity during emergencies.

A 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. This contract allows 90 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78729.