

AGENDA



Thursday, September 23, 2010

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 14**

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with LEWIS CONTRACTORS, INC., Bertram, TX for the Wildhorse Ranch North Interceptor Extension North of Highway 290 project in the amount of \$2,691,361 plus a \$134,568 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,825,929.

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: John Wepryk, P.E., 974-7010; Yvonne Gil Vallejo, 703-6637; Susan Garnett, 974-7064; Sarah Terry, 974-7141

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of 8 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 the achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 7.59% MBE and 2.35 % WBE subcontractor participation.

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

Prior Council Action: August 1, 2002 – Execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Manor.

In accordance with the Northeast Area Wastewater Service Master Plan and the Interlocal Agreement executed September 30, 2002 between the City of Austin and the City of Manor, the Wildhorse Ranch North Interceptor Extension North of Highway 290 project will connect wastewater customers north of Highway 290 and on both sides of Gilleland Creek to the City of Austin wastewater system.

The Wildhorse Ranch North Interceptor Extension North of Highway 290 project is located within zip code 78653 in Manor's city limits. The pipeline will begin north of Highway 290 at Gilleland Creek and extend south to an existing manhole located south of Old Highway 20. The work consists of the installation of approximately 3,850 linear feet of 42-inch wastewater interceptor with trenchless construction techniques used under Highway 290, Old Highway 20, the railroad tracks and Gilleland Creek.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions and utility conflicts, a 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 240 calendar days for completion of this project.