Thursday, December 16, 2010

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 17

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with CAMP DRESSER & MCKEE, INC., Austin, TX for additional engineering services for the Water Reclamation Initiative: Central – Phase I – B Elevated Storage Tank, in the amount of \$195,915 for a total agreement not to exceed \$2,347,921.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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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) with 33.84% MBE and 15.16% WBE subcontractor participation to date.

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

Prior Council Action: October 28, 1999 – Council approved Design Contract; April 6, 2006 – Supplemental Amendment #1; November 2, 2007 - Supplemental Amendment #2; February 14, 2008 - Supplement Amendment #3.

This amendment is requested to allow the consultant to continue providing construction phase services including programming, attending meetings, performing inspections, answering Requests for Information and other questions, and other services. The 2 million gallon reclaimed water elevated storage tank at 2013 East 51st Street has reached substantial completion and is in service, but construction delays resulted in the need to engage the consultant for a longer duration than originally scheduled or budgeted. Additional improvements to the existing pumps for the Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant reclaimed water system, corrections to the existing and new programming system, and program corrections to the radio communication system are required. Liquidated damages are being assessed against the Contractor for these delays.

The project supports the redevelopment of the Mueller Site and adjacent service area including Bartholomew Park and the Combined Transportation Emergency Communication Center. It will also provide infrastructure for expansion in Central Austin. The Mueller redevelopment will use reclaimed water for irrigation and mechanical cooling. A key component of this system is the construction of an elevated storage tank for reclaimed water.