Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: December 14, 2017 Item Number: 011

Capital Contracting Office

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with DeNucci Constructors, LLC, for the East Austin Wastewater Line Improvements project in the amount of \$2,178,127, plus a \$217,813 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,395,940. (Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A [Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program] by meeting the goals with 6.34% MBE and 1.22% WBE participation.)

District(s) Affected: District 1, District 4

Lead Department	Capital Contracting Office
	Managing Department(s) Public Works Department
Fiscal Note	Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Capital Budget of Austin Water.
Purchasing Language	Lowest responsive bid of five bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation.
For More Information	Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749 or Aiden Cohen, 512-974-1929.
Council Committee,	To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission on

Boards and Commission	December 13, 2017.
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Additional Backup Information:

The water and wastewater infrastructure and appurtenances included in this project have been identified as deteriorating and aging and in need of replacement as part of the Renewing Austin Program and the Sanitary Sewer Overflow Program. The water line infrastructure being replaced has a well-documented history of breaks in the area.

This contract will replace the existing water and wastewater lines to prevent future wastewater overflows and water line breaks. The work consists of the abandonment of 5,129 linear feet of existing eight-inch diameter wastewater lines, the installation of 44 new wastewater manholes, and the installation of new wastewater service lines. Also included is the replacement of 915 linear feet of eight-inch diameter cast iron water line with eight-inch diameter Polyvinyl Chloride pipe and associated service lines.

This contract includes one allowance of \$160,000 will be used to address the relocation of the existing private sewer laterals at 16 locations. An allowance is an amount that is specified and included in the construction contract or specifications for a certain item of work whose details are not yet determined at the time of bidding.

To allow residents the ability to ask questions and get more information on the process, a neighborhood meeting will be scheduled prior to construction start up in February 2018. In addition, affected residents and businesses will be notified of upcoming work by flyer.

This project is necessary to increase the capacity and prevent any future breaks or sewer leakage. A delay in this project could result in continued service interruptions for Austin Water customers and associated maintenance costs.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface condition and potential for encountering utility conflicts, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. A contingency is an additional amount of money added to the construction budget to cover any unforeseen construction costs associated with the project.

The contract allows 330 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip codes 78721 and 78723 (District 1 and 4).

DeNucci Constructors, LLC is located in Austin, Texas.

Information on this solicitation is available through the City's Austin Finance Online website. Link:

Solicitation Documents

https://www.ci.austin.tx.us/financeonline/vendor_connection/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=116968>.