



## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 20-3803, **Agenda Item #:** 5.

1/27/2021

### **Posting Language**

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Santa Clara Construction, LTD (MBE), for the Decker Dam Slough Repair project in the amount of \$1,322,546 plus a \$132,254.60 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,454,800.60.

[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 93.27% MBE and 1.87% WBE participation.].

### **Lead Department**

Capital Contracting Office

### **Managing Department**

Austin Energy

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

### **Purchasing Language:**

Lowest responsive bid of three 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](mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov) <<mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov>>.

NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749, Garrett Cox, 512-974-9423, or the Project Manager, Richard Duane, 512-482-5435.

### **Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

January 11, 2021 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 9-0 vote, with Commissioner Stone off the dais and Commissioner Wray absent.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

During a standard Dam Safety Inspection required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, staff discovered sloughing soil and vegetation on the Decker Dam as well as underground piping and failed underdrains that require repair.

The work for this project consists of the complete construction of approximately 27,000 cubic yards of embankment slough repair with associated topsoil and seeding, sealing of approximately 2,770 linear feet of concrete joints, replacing approximately 4,500 linear feet of toe drain, repair of irrigation system, removal of vegetation and debris from drainage ditches, abandonment of an inclinometer, and replacing a cap on the gate hoist.

The construction for this project will be entirely within the limits of the dam but access to the dam will be through the Walter E. Long Park. The Parks and Recreation Department has been consulted on this project and measures will be in place to ensure the safety of all park users.

Due to the potential for unknown issues and conditions, 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. By authorizing the additional contingency funding, Council is authorizing any change orders within the contingency amount.

The sloughing soil and vegetation has exposed the soil underneath. Should there be a delay in approval of this contract, additional damage to the dam could be brought about from exposure to rain and the elements.

The contract allows 120 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78724 (District 1).

Santa Clara Construction, LTD (MBE/MH), is located in Austin, Texas

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

Government that Works for All, Safety.