Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2389, **Agenda Item #:** 31. 7/28/2022

Posting Language

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Santa Clara Construction, Ltd. (MBE) for the Wastewater Line Renewal and Spot Rehab Service (2023 to 2025) Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity contract in the amount of $3,200,000 for an initial one-year term, with two, one-year extension options of $3,200,000 each, for a total contract amount not to exceed $9,600,000.

[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 1.75% MBE and 1.07% WBE participation.]

Lead Department

Financial Services Department

Managing Department

Austin Water

Fiscal Note

Funding is contingent upon available funds in future Austin Water Capital budgets.

Purchasing Language:

Lowest responsive bid of two bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bids solicitation.

For More Information:

Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749, and Garrett Cox, 512-974-9423.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission on July 20, 2022.

Additional Backup Information:

Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity contracts provide for an indefinite quantity of services for a fixed time, usually an initial term with extension options. They are commonly used when precise quantities of supplies or services, above a specified minimum, cannot be determined. Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (ID/IQ) contracts help streamline the contract process and service delivery and allow the City the flexibility to add work as needs arise or change. As each project is defined, a specific work assignment will be given to the contractor who will complete the scope of work for the unit prices included in the contract. Work deadlines will be established for each work assignment.

As needed and required, this contract is for the repair and replacement of deteriorated wastewater mains throughout the city including emergency repairs on wastewater mains and the wastewater collection system. In general, projects are larger or more complex than Austin Water (AW) crews can complete, but too small, isolated, or time sensitive to competitively bid as individual construction contracts.

The wastewater collection system is essential for conveying wastewater to the treatment plants. Due to growth in Austin and deterioration from the harsh wastewater environment, existing collection system assets require repair and replacement. This contract is for the repair and replacement of deteriorated wastewater mains and accessories, and the ID/IQ method of contract delivery allows flexibility to address issues within the collection system, including emergencies. This contract will help prevent and respond to sanitary sewer overflows and minimize environmental impacts before and during emergencies. This contract will cover the period of Fiscal Year 2023 to Fiscal Year 2025.

The base bid was used to identify and determine the lowest responsive bidder and contract unit prices for each bid item.

This request allows for the award and execution of a construction contract with Santa Clara Construction, Ltd. for an estimated period of one year with two, one-year extension options. If funds for the initial term are expended, staff may accelerate the extension options, but will not exceed the total contract amount. The extension options are subject to the agreement of both parties.

This construction contract is time sensitive and is a critical component of maintenance and emergency repairs to the wastewater collection system. Failure to enter into the contract will place an undue burden on City construction crews.

This project will be located within all City Districts.

Santa Clara Construction, Ltd. (MBE) is located in Austin, Texas.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment.