

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-0156, Agenda Item #: 18.

2/27/2025

Posting Language

Authorize execution of a contract for construction services for the 2020 Bond Substandard Streets Ross Road North project, for the Transportation and Public Works Department and Austin Water and to be managed by Capital Delivery Services, with DeNucci Constructors, LLC, in the amount of \$29,650,594 plus a \$2,965,059.40 contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$32,615,653.40. Funding: \$29,669,890.33 is available in the Capital Budget of the Transportation and Public Works Department and Funding in the amount of \$2,945,763.07 is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Managing Department

Capital Delivery Services.

Amount Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$29,669,890.33 is available in the Capital Budget of the Transportation and Public Works Department.

Funding in the amount of \$2,945,763.07 is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Purchasing Language:

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitation for Bids IFB 6100 CLMC1068 for these services. The solicitation was issued on October 7, 2024, and closed on January 9, 2025. Of the six bids received, the recommended contractor submitted the lowest responsive bid. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids received, is available for viewing on the City's website. This information can currently be found at https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm? sid=141362.

MBE / WBE:

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 5.81% MBE and 1.51% WBE participation.

For More Information:

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to the Financial Services Department - Central Procurement at: FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov or 512-974-2500. Respondents to the solicitation and their Agents should direct all questions to the Authorized Contact Person identified in the solicitation.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

February 19, 2025 - To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

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Additional Backup Information:

The City evaluated Ross Road in a Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) as part of the 2016 Mobility Bond to develop recommendations to improve mobility and safety along the project area. The project area in the PER includes Ross Road between State Highway 71 and Pearce Lane and between Pearce Lane and Heine Farm Road.

This project includes improvements focused on reducing congestion and enhancing safety by improving vehicular traffic flow, reducing delays at intersection points, providing alternative modes of transportation, and reducing the number of collision points for the project area between State Highway 71 and Pearce Lane.

The proposed improvements include:

- Expansion to include two lanes in each direction; addition of left turn pockets at key intersections; addition of curb and gutter to prevent roadside shoulder erosion.
- Construction of sidewalks and shared use paths; addition of buffered bicycle lanes; construction of median refuge areas to provide protected midpoint crossing intersections for pedestrians.
- Addition of traffic signals; new pavement markings; addition of continuous roadway lighting.
- A closed storm drain system to allow the project to be built within the existing right-of-way while accommodating the wider pavement section and shared use paths.
- Relocation of Austin Water pipes that either conflict with the proposed improvements or are provided as a betterment to increase capacity of water and wastewater services in this rapidly growing area.

Austin Water's portion of this project consists of replacing 890 linear feet of 6-inch, 103 linear feet of 8-inch, 1,515 linear feet of 12-inch, 101 linear feet of 16-inch, and 7,500 linear feet of 24-inch ductile iron water pipe; and 91 linear feet of 12-inch, 1,470 linear feet of 24-inch, and 4,445 linear feet of 30-inch polyvinyl chloride wastewater pipe.

This item includes one allowance of \$15,000 that will be used to address Irrigation Repair. An allowance is an amount that is specified and included in the construction contract or specifications for a certain item(s) of work when details are not determined at the time of bidding.

Due to the potential for unforeseen circumstances or physical project conditions, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders to cover any unforeseen construction cost associated with the project. By authorizing the additional contingency funding, Council is authorizing any change orders within the contingency amount.

The project will require temporary lane closures and/or detours. The contractor will install appropriate traffic detour signs and barricades to direct traffic and work to ensure that residents and businesses always have access to driveways. If access cannot be maintained, written notice of limited access will be provided to the affected property owner(s) at least 24 hours in advance.

A delay in issuing this contract will affect the delivery of multi-modal mobility services for this corridor that currently has limited mobility options. Construction is anticipated to begin Spring 2025.

This contract allows 757 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78617 (District 2).