



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 26-1366, **Agenda Item #:** 14.

4/9/2026

Posting Language

Authorize an amendment to the contracts for engineering services for the 2019 Small Scale Water and Wastewater Facilities Engineering Services Rotation List with BGE, Inc. dba Brown & Gay Engineers, Inc., Gannett Fleming, Inc., H.W. Lochner, Inc. dba K. Friese & Associates, LLC, Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, Inc., Walker Partners, LLC, and Weston Solutions, Inc., to increase the amount by \$9,500,000 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$20,000,000 to be divided among the firms. Funding: \$9,500,000 is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Lead Department

Austin Financial Services.

Managing Department

Austin Financial Services .

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Procurement Language:

Contract Amendment.

MBE / WBE:

This contract was previously awarded in compliance with the City Code 2-9A (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). Current participation to date is 1.68% MBE and 6.08% WBE.

Prior Council Action:

May 23, 2019 - Council approved a professional service agreement with six firms for the 2019 Small Scale Water and Wastewater Facilities Engineering Services Rotation List.

For More Information:

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to Austin Financial Services - Central Procurement at: FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov or 512-974-2500.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

March 11, 2026 - Recommended for approval by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 6-0 vote with Commissioner Pandurangi recusing and three Commissioners absent. .

May 8, 2019 - Reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

Additional Backup Information:

As a standard business practice, the City routinely engages the services of professional engineering firms to

perform analysis, design, and support services associated with construction or improvement of City capital assets. Rotation List contracting allows the City to always have a group of qualified consultants available to perform a specific type of recurring work in a timely manner to meet the project and operational needs of the City.

Austin Water is requesting additional authority to complete design and construction-phase support for multiple active capital improvement projects currently underway at City-owned water and wastewater facilities. The Rotation List contracts support work at the Southland Oaks Lift Station, River Place Wastewater Treatment Plant, Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Facility, Ullrich Water Treatment Plant, and the South Austin Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant, as well as development of decentralized wastewater and reclaimed water design specifications. Several of these efforts have progressed beyond the original assumptions due to changed field conditions, and contractor delivery constraints.

The consultants will provide the additional professional engineering services necessary to complete deliverables for projects originally initiated under the Rotation List contracts, including final design refinements, constructability support, updated engineering calculations and bid documents, permitting support, and construction-phase services.

Austin Water anticipates no planned customer service interruptions as part of this professional services amendment. Public impact is expected to be minimal; any construction-related access controls or temporary closures would be localized to facility sites and managed through standard contractor traffic control and safety procedures.

This request is time-sensitive as several projects are currently in active design completion, permitting review, contractor negotiations, or construction support phases. Without sufficient contract authority, consultant services may be interrupted, potentially delaying project schedules, affecting regulatory compliance timelines, and increasing overall project costs due to remobilization or schedule extensions.