

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-2402, Agenda Item #: 26.

12/11/2025

Posting Language

Authorize a contract for construction services for the Travis Heights Reclaimed Water Main Project for Austin Water with Cash Construction Company, Inc., in the amount of \$5,018,290, plus a \$501,829 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,520,119. Funding: \$5,520,119 is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Lead Department

Austin Financial Services.

Managing Department

Austin Capital Delivery Services.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Procurement Language:

Austin Financial Services issued an Invitation for Bids solicitation IFB 6100 CLMC1126 for these services. The solicitation was issued on July 28, 2025, and closed on September 25, 2025. Of the six bids received, the bids submitted by the recommended contractor was the lowest responsive bid received. 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=142862.

MBE/WBE:

This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) through the achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 0.26% MBE and 0.22% WBE participation.

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. 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:

November 12, 2025 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 8-0 vote with Commissioner Penn recusing and two absences.

Additional Backup Information:

The Travis Heights Reclaimed Main project is identified in Austin Water's 2011 Reclaimed Water Infrastructure Master Plan Update and the 2013 Completing the Core plan as a construction project necessary to complete a

core loop through downtown Austin. Completing the core loop interconnects Austin Water's reclaimed water systems north and south of the Colorado River which connects to the line from the Montopolis Reclaimed Water Reservoir and Pump Station and to the planned South 1st Street Reclaimed Water Main project.

The Travis Heights Reclaimed Water Main Project will add 4,500 linear feet of reclaimed water main to Austin Water's reclaimed water system. Reclaimed water is wastewater that has been treated to a high quality and used for non-potable purposes such as irrigation, flushing toilets, and evaporative cooling.

This item includes two allowances. An allowance of \$25,000 will be used to address any contaminated soil or groundwater and an allowance of \$9,000 will be used to address the installation of any reclaimed water service installations. An allowance is an amount that is specified and included in the construction contract or specifications for certain items of work when details are not determined at the time of bidding.

Due to the potential for unforeseen and unknown conditions inherent in underground utility construction and the need to minimize construction duration and equipment downtime, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders 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.

This project proposes temporary and long-term lane closures and detours during construction of the reclaimed water mains. The contractor will install appropriate traffic detour signs and barricades to direct traffic and will work to ensure that residents and businesses always have access to their driveways. Customers will be notified at least 48 hours in advance of planned service interruptions.

A delay in approving this contract may impact the City's ability to provide reliable water service.

The contract allows 540 calendar days for completion of this project.

This project is located within zip code 78704 (District 9).