



# City of Austin

## Recommendation for Action

File #: 24-6075, Agenda Item #: 41.

11/21/2024

### Posting Language

Authorize execution of a contract for construction services for Austin Water and to be managed by Capital Delivery Services, for the SH 71 at US 183 Interchange Texas Department of Transportation Relocation Austin Water & Wastewater Transmission Mains project with Santa Clara Construction, Ltd., in the amount of \$5,833,210 plus a \$583,321 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$6,416,531. Funding: Funding is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

### Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

### Managing Department

Capital Delivery Services.

### Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Water.

### Purchasing Language:

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitation for Bids IFB 6100 CLMC1058 for these services. The solicitation was issued on July 15, 2024, and closed on August 22, 2024. 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=141095](https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=141095).

### 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 65.83% MBE and 0.57% WBE participation.

### For More Information:

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to the Financial Services Department - Central Procurement at [FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov](mailto: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 13, 2024 - To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

### Additional Backup Information:

On occasion, proposed roadway improvements by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) require relocation or adjustment of Austin Water's existing water and wastewater mains to accommodate a TxDOT project. The proposed roadway improvements at the SH 71 and US 183 Interchange require the relocation of

water lines, wastewater lines, manholes, and associated appurtenances.

This project consists of replacing and relocating existing water and wastewater mains located within the general boundaries around the south side of the SH 71 and US 183 interchange. Water system renewal includes approximately 2,709 linear feet of 24-inch main and associated appurtenances. Wastewater system renewal includes approximately 2,742 linear feet of 24-inch main and manholes. These existing utilities conflict with TxDOT's roadway improvements project within the right-of-way and must be relocated.

This construction contract is time sensitive and is a critical component of improving the infrastructure stability of the water distribution system. It must be completed prior to the TxDOT roadway improvements. Delay or deferral of this contract will require additional time and cost for City construction crews to conduct maintenance and repairs and create conflicts with the TxDOT roadway improvements.

This item includes one allowance of \$10,000 that will be used to address irrigation, shrubs and mulch removal and replacement. 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 issues, 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.

The water and wastewater line replacement work will impact public traffic flow in the area for the duration of the work.

Construction is expected to begin in January 2025, and the approximate project duration is 10 months, barring weather delays or other unforeseen circumstances.

This project is located within (Districts 2 and 3).