

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 24-6522, Agenda Item #: 37.

1/30/2025

Posting Language

Authorize execution of a contract for construction services for the South Area Lift Station Improvements: Springfield Lift Station Abandonment project, for Austin Water and to be managed by Capital Delivery Services, with Santa Clara Construction, Ltd., in the amount of \$7,837,942.54, plus a \$783,794.25 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$8,621,737. Funding: \$8,621,737 is available in the Austin Water's Capital Budget.

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 solicitation IFB 6100 CLMC1066 for these services. The solicitation was issued on September 16, 2024, and closed on October 31, 2024. Of the four 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, https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=140830.

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 86.27% MBE and 2.84% WBE participation.

Prior Council Action:

Dec 12, 2024 - Chapter 26 Change in use of dedicated parkland - Onion Creek Metro Park, Onion Creek Greenbelt, Salt Springs Neighborhood Park, and Marble Creek Greenbelt.

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:

January 15, 2025 -Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 9-0 vote with Commissioner Penn recusing and one vacancy.

October 28, 2024 - Recommended by Parks and Recreation Board on a vote of 7-0-1 with Commissioners Pedro Villalobos, Kathryn Flowers, Stephanie Bazan, Lane Becker, Cathleen Eady, Jennifer Franklin, Holly Reed, absent Shelby Orme, Nicole Merritt, Kim Taylor.

Additional Backup Information:

Austin Water is proposing the construction of approximately 3,400 linear feet of 36-inch wastewater line to facilitate the abandonment of the Springfield Lift Station, which is located within the 25-year floodplain of Onion Creek.

The proposed project involves abandoning the Springfield lift station and installing a 3,300-foot-long, 36-inch gravity interceptor to connect to the existing Onion Creek Interceptor, potentially eliminating ongoing operational and maintenance costs. To minimize surface impact, including tree removal, trenchless construction methods will be utilized where applicable. Construction is scheduled to start in early 2025.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions, 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.

If this contract is not approved, the Springfield Lift Station will remain at risk of flooding, leading to potential damage and ongoing sanitary sewer overflows during heavy rainfall.

The contract allows 420 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78744 (District 2).