



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Utilities to enter into a construction contract with Underground Utilities, Inc. in the amount of \$2,553,515.40, for the Regina Avenue Area Water Line Improvements Project, Division of Water Contract Number 1181.

This project consists of installing 6-inch and 8-inch water lines and appurtenances inclusive of approximately 15,000 linear feet of open-cut trenching. The work also includes 353 water service transfers, 39 fire hydrants, and other such work as may be necessary to complete the contract in accordance with the plans and specifications set forth in the Bid Submittal Documents.

This project encompasses the following roads: Regina Avenue, Regina Court, Warren Avenue, St. Patrick Road, St. Joseph Avenue, Richardson Avenue, Bronwyn Avenue, Eureka Avenue, Vanderberg Avenue, Kreber Avenue, Symington Avenue, Spaatz Avenue, and Hodges Avenue.

2. ECONOMIC IMPACT/ADVANTAGES; COMMUNITY OUTREACH; PROJECT DEVELOPMENT; ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS/ADVANTAGES OF PROJECT: The goal of this project is to replace water lines that have a high break frequency. The new lines constructed under this project should eliminate the pattern of frequent water line breaks and will decrease burden on water maintenance operations. The Neighborhood Liaison(s) will be contacted and informed of this project during the construction phase. Further community outreach may result through the Neighborhood Liaison Program.

3. CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD: The Director of Public Utilities publicly opened six bids on April 30, 2014 from: Underground Utilities - \$2,553,515.40; Shelly and Sands - \$2,684,312.51 (after corrections); Elite Excavating Co. of Ohio - \$2,721,839.56; John Eramo & Sons - \$2,776,479.60; Columbus Asphalt Paving - \$3,078,606.85; and Conie Construction Co. - \$3,227,400.00.

Underground Utilities' bid was deemed the lowest, best, most responsive and responsible bid in the amount of \$2,553,515.40. Their Contract Compliance Number is 34-1248942 (expires 6/5/15, Majority). Additional information regarding all bidders, description of work, contract time frame and detailed amounts can be found on the attached Information form.

Searches in the Excluded Party List System (Federal) and the Findings for Recovery list (State) produced no findings against Underground Utilities, Inc.

4. FISCAL IMPACT: This Ordinance is contingent upon a cash transfer from Ordinance No. 1407-2014 within the Water Works Enlargement Voted Bonds Fund.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to execute a construction contract with Underground Utilities, Inc. for the Regina Avenue Area Water Line Improvements Project in an amount up to \$2,553,515.40; for the Division of Water; and to authorize an expenditure up to \$2,553,515.40 within the Water Works Enlargement Voted Bonds Fund. (\$2,553,515.40)

WHEREAS, six bids for the Regina Avenue Area Water Line Improvements Project were received and publicly opened in the offices of the Director of Public Utilities on April 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the lowest, best, most responsive and responsible bid was from Underground Utilities, Inc. in the amount of \$2,553,515.40; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Director of the Department of Public Utilities to award and execute a construction contract for the Regina Avenue Area Water Line Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for this Council to authorize an expenditure of funds within the Water Works Enlargement Voted Bonds Fund for the Division of Water; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Division of Water, Department of Public Utilities, to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to enter into a construction contract with Underground Utilities, Inc. for the Regina Avenue Area Water Line Improvements Project, for the preservation of the public health, peace, property and safety; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That the Director of Public Utilities be and hereby is authorized to award and execute a construction contract for the Regina Avenue Area Water Line Improvements Project with Underground Utilities, Inc., 416 West Monroe Street, P.O. Box 428, Monroeville, Ohio 44847; in the amount of \$2,553,515.40; in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract on file in the Office of the Division of Water.

SECTION 2. That said construction company shall conduct the work to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Utilities and the Administrator of the Division of Water.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$2,553,515.40 is hereby authorized for the Regina Avenue Area Water Line Improvements Project within the Water Works Enlargement Voted Bonds Fund, Fund No. 606, Dept.-Div. 60-09, Project No. 690236-100052 (New Funding), OCA 663652, Object Level Three 6629. (*cash transfer of \$2,324,640 from Ord. No. 1407-2014)

SECTION 4. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 5. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer any unencumbered balance in the project account to the unallocated balance within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies no longer required for said project; except that no transfer shall be made from a project account by monies from more than one source.

SECTION 6. That the City Auditor is authorized to establish proper project accounting numbers as appropriate.

SECTION 7. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this Ordinance.

SECTION 8. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.