



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Utilities to enter into a professional engineering services agreement with Korda/Nemeth Engineering, Inc., for the East Gates Street Area Water Line Improvements Project, in an amount up to \$216,285.27, for Division of Water Contract No. 2117.

This project includes replacing or rehabilitating approximately 9,310 linear feet of 6-inch and 8-inch water lines and service transfers on approximately 2,090 linear feet of existing water mains within the East Gates Street area.

This project is located within the Near South Planning Area and includes the following: E. Gates St., Ellsworth Ave., Rhoads Ave., Rainbow Park E. Columbus St., Wilson Ave., Jenkins Ave., Frebis Ave., Bruck St., Southwood Ave., Hanford St., Miller Ave., Lockbourne Rd., and Fairwood Ave.

2. ECONOMIC IMPACT/ADVANTAGES; COMMUNITY OUTREACH; PROJECT DEVELOPMENT; ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS/ADVANTAGES OF PROJECT: The goal of this project is to replace or rehabilitate the existing 2-inch, 6-inch and 8-inch water lines that have a high break frequency. Replacement of these water lines will improve water service, decrease burden on water maintenance operations, and reduce water loss. The Neighborhood Liaison(s) will be contacted and informed of this project during the design phase. Further community outreach may result through the Neighborhood Liaison Program.

3. BID INFORMATION: The selection of the firm providing the professional engineering services has been performed in accordance with the procedures set forth in Columbus City Code, Section 329, "Awarding professional service contracts through requests for proposals." The evaluation criteria for this contract included: 1. understanding of project/project approach, 2. past performance, 3. environmentally preferable consultant, 4. local workforce, and 5. anticipated project team.

Requests for Proposals (RFP's) were received on April 14, 2017 from DLZ Ohio, Inc., GPD Group, IBI Group, Korda/Nemeth Engineering, RA Consultants and Ribway Engineering Group.

Note: The RFP included three (3) projects and the top three (3) ranked firms were selected for these projects. The Division of Water determined which projects were to be awarded to each of the top 3 ranked firms.

An evaluation committee reviewed the proposals and scored them based on the criteria mentioned above. The Department of Public Utilities recommends that the East Gates Street Water Line Improvements agreement be awarded to Korda/Nemeth Engineering, Inc.

The Contract Compliance Number for Korda/Nemeth Engineering, Inc. is 31-0922991 (expires 5/24/19, MAJ) and their DAX Vendor Number is 004467. 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 Korda/Nemeth Engineering, Inc.

4. FISCAL IMPACT: There is sufficient funding within the Water G.O. Bonds Fund for this expenditure.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to enter into a professional engineering services agreement with Korda/Nemeth Engineering, for the East Gates Street Area Water Line Improvements Project; in an amount up to \$216,285.27; to authorize an expenditure up to \$216,285.27 within the Water General Obligations Bond Fund; for the Division of Water; and to amend the 2017 Capital Improvements Budget. (\$216,285.27)

WHEREAS, six (6) technical proposals for professional engineering services for three (3) water line rehabilitation projects were received on April 14, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the top three (3) ranked firms were selected for these projects and the Department of Public Utilities recommends that the East Gates Street Water Line Improvements project be awarded to Korda/Nemeth Engineering; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize an expenditure of funds within the Water G.O. Bonds Fund, for the Division of Water; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize an amendment to the 2017 Capital Improvements Budget for the purpose of providing sufficient spending authority for the aforementioned project expenditure; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Division of Water, Department of Public Utilities, to authorize the Director to enter into a professional engineering services agreement for the East Gates Street 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 enter into a professional engineering services agreement for the East Gates Street Area Water Line Improvements Project with Korda/Nemeth Engineering, Inc., 1650 Watermark Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43215; for an expenditure up to \$216,285.27 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract on file in the Office of the Division of Water.

SECTION 2. That the 2017 Capital Improvements Budget is hereby amended, in Fund 6006 - Water G.O. Bonds Fund, per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$216,285.27 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 6006 - Water G.O. Bonds Fund, in Object Class 06, Capital Outlay, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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.