



## AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of January 27, 2026

**DATE:** January 27, 2026

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### **Construction Contract Award** **Citywide Lift Station Repair**

#### **CAPTION:**

Motion awarding a construction contract to Associated Construction Partners, Ltd, of Boerne, TX for the Citywide Lift Station Repair project in an amount not to exceed \$16,811,532.00 for the rehabilitation or replacement of eleven lift stations located citywide, with FY 2026 funding available from the Wastewater Capital Fund.

#### **SUMMARY:**

This motion awards a construction contract to Associated Construction Partners, Ltd. for the Citywide Lift Station Repair project. The project includes the rehabilitation or replacement of eleven lift stations citywide.

#### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE:**

The City owns and maintains 107 lift stations that convey wastewater to six wastewater treatment plants. Many lift stations have operational issues and maintenance costs inherent with the caustic and corrosive wastewater environment, in addition to the continuous operation of the equipment.

The Citywide Lift Station Repair program was developed to strategically identify, prioritize, and implement specific capital improvements in a phased design and construction approach. This program aims to extend the lift station service life, reduce long-term maintenance costs, improve flows, and meet Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) regulatory compliance,

including reducing sanitary sewer overflows.

The project includes the rehabilitation of nine lift stations and the installation of two replacement lift stations, for a total of eleven lift stations. The project also includes bypass pumping, replacement of discharge piping and appurtenances, replacement of submersible pumps, corrosion resistant coatings, intruder resistant chain-link and concrete fencing, asphalt and concrete paving, pump control panels, main electrical disconnects, canopies, cranes, odor control system, abandonment of pipe and wet wells, and other miscellaneous items. The repairs will extend the service life of the lift stations by at least 20 years, improve operational capabilities, reduce overflows, and reduce maintenance and repair costs.

The extensive scope of work, which involved the design and engineering of 11 different lift stations throughout the city, was the main reason for the six-year design timeline for the citywide lift station design. The final design was received in June 2025. The extended design timeframe allowed for thorough planning and execution to meet the unique needs of each lift station while adhering to city regulations and standards.

Listed below are the lift stations that will be improved with this construction contract:

1. Laguna Shores Lift Station
2. People's Street T-Head Lift Station
3. Lawrence Street T-Head Lift Station
4. Cooper's Alley L-Head Lift Station
5. Clarkwood South Lift Station
6. Highway Nine Lift Station
7. Cole Park Lift Station
8. Country Club Lift Station
9. Military/Jester Lift Station
10. Waldron Lift Station
11. Sugar Tree Lift Station

**PROJECT TIMELINE:**

2019 - 2025	2025 - 2026	2026 - 2027
September - June	July - January	February - October
Design	Bid/Award	Construction

Projected schedule reflects City Council award in January 2026 with anticipated construction completion by October 2027.

## **COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROCESS**

On July 27, 2025, the Contracts and Procurement Department issued a Request for Bids (RFB #6687) for the Citywide Lift Station Repair project. On October 29, 2025, the City received four bids.

The City analyzed the bids according to the contract documents and determined that Associated Construction Partners, Ltd was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. As the lowest bid received was within the acceptable range of the Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost, the City has elected to proceed with the project.

A summary of the bids is provided below:

<b>BID SUMMARY</b>	
<b>CONTRACTOR</b>	<b>BASE BID</b>
<b>Associated Construction Partners, Ltd Boerne, TX</b>	<b>\$16,811,532.00</b>
Clark Pipeline Services Corpus Christi, TX	\$16,876,617.78
Southern Trenchless Solutions Feria, TX	\$21,900,303.00
Taknek, LLC Gainesville, TX	\$25,335,823.00
<b><i>Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost</i></b>	<b><i>\$12,051,300.00</i></b>

The OPCC was lower than the final contract amount due to specialized site requirements, including utility locating, dewatering, and intricate lift station modifications—coupled with significant material price increases driven by tariffs and market volatility. These external economic factors have resulted in shortened vendor quote validity periods, making it increasingly difficult for earlier estimates to account for rapid fluctuations in the cost of materials and equipment.

Associated Construction Partners Ltd has successfully completed numerous City utility projects:

- Citywide Lift Station Repairs FY2018 – lift station improvements to Wooldridge Lift Station and Morgan Lift Station at a construction cost of \$5.5M. Completed 2024
- Williams Lift Station – lift station improvements at a construction cost of \$11.6M. Completed 2025
- Laguna Madre WWTP Rehabilitation – upgrades to Laguna Madre Wastewater Treatment Plant at a construction cost of \$4.5M. Completed 2023

- McBride Lift Station and Force Main – emergency repairs to McBride Lift Station and force main at a construction cost of \$3.3M. Completed 2023

To efficiently manage this project, Associated Construction Partners, Ltd will mobilize a minimum of two fully independent and self-sufficient crews, each led by a dedicated superintendent, to allow for simultaneous progress across multiple sites without resource conflicts. Each crew is fully equipped with dedicated vehicles, tools, bypass pumping systems, generators, and safety equipment to ensure immediate productivity.

The initial focus will be on the high-priority sites, Cooper's Alley and Sugar Tree, followed by a phased progression to the remaining locations. Crew A will handle Cooper's Alley, Laguna Shores, Country Club, and Military and Jester, while Crew B will address Sugar Tree, People's Street, Lawrence Street, Cole Park, Highway Nine, Clarkwood South, and Waldron. This proposed sequencing, which also incorporates the use of subcontractors, is flexible and subject to adjustment based on City input, priorities, and site-specific constraints, with the readiness to add additional crews as necessary.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

City Council could choose not to award the construction contract to the low bidder, Associated Construction Partners, Ltd., which would delay the necessary lift station improvements. This could result in costly maintenance or lift station overflows. Ultimately, this would cause TCEQ violations and fees.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal impact for Corpus Christi Water in FY 2026 is an amount not to exceed \$5,200,000.00 for construction with funding available from the Wastewater Capital Fund. The remaining funds will be incurred in FY 2027, and FY 2028 in the amount of \$11,611,532.00. Budgetary adjustments will be made in FY 2027, and FY 2028 to reflect the new contract costs.

**FUNDING DETAIL:**

Fund:	Wastewater 2025 CIP (Fund 4262)
Department:	Wastewater (46)
Organization:	Grants & Capital Projects Funds (89)
Project:	Citywide Lift Station Repair (Project No. 19029A)
Account:	Construction (550910)
Activity:	19029A-4262-EXP
Amount:	\$5,200,000.00

Year 1 (FY26):	\$5,200,000.00
Year 2 (FY27):	\$8,500,000.00
Year 2 (FY28):	<u>\$3,111,532.00</u>
Total:	\$16,811,532.00

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommend awarding the construction contract to Associated Construction Partners, Ltd. in the amount of \$16,811,532.00 for the Citywide Lift Station Repair project. The construction duration is planned for 20 months from the issuance of the Notice to Proceed, with construction anticipated to begin in February 2026 and be completed by October 2027.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

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