

AGENDA MEMORANDUM Action Item for the City Council Meeting of March 18, 2025

- **DATE:** March 18, 2025
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Construction Contract Award Citywide Water Line Repair/Replace-Large Diameter IDIQ FY2024 Project No. 24065

CAPTION:

Motion awarding a construction contract to RUTS Construction, LLC, Haslet, Texas, in an amount up to \$5,000,000.00 for a one-year term, with two one-year renewal options to be administratively authorized for a total amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.00 for Citywide Water Line Repair/Replace-Large Diameter Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) FY2024 project, located Citywide, with FY 2025 funding available from the Water Capital Fund.

SUMMARY:

This motion awards a construction contract for the Citywide Water Line Repair/Replace-Large Diameter Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) FY2024 project to replace large diameter waterlines within the City's water distribution system at various locations throughout the City.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

This project provides a mechanism to quickly address emergency and priority projects as they arise reducing service outages and operational costs. Rehabilitation and replacement of this aging infrastructure will result in a better functioning water distribution system, reducing the number of unanticipated emergency repairs.

The project is an Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) construction contract to complete the water distribution system construction throughout the city. The work will be issued by the City

in multiple indefinite quantity individual work orders called "Delivery Orders" (DO) that provide specific scope and requirements in accordance with the plans, specifications, and contract documents. The delivery orders are planned, designed, and prepared by the Corpus Christi Water (CCW) team using established line items for pricing. Only relevant line items will be utilized for each delivery order. The final quantities for each line item will differ due to the scope and extent of the various projects. This is a "not to exceed" contract, where delivery orders can only be issued up to the contract ceiling. This contract is a critical component of CCW's Water Line Replacement Program.

The scope of work includes the removal and abandonment of water lines, installation of new 6inch to 24-inch water lines by open trenching or horizontal directional drilling, casing, new fire hydrants, valves, fittings, services, pavement repairs, and other miscellaneous items required to complete the project. The contract also includes provisions for work on pipelines greater than 24 inches in diameter. Possible work also includes emergency response delivery orders that require the contractor to always have management personnel and crew available and on-call during the contract to provide emergency response services.

The contract will have an initial one-year term, with the option to administratively renew for two additional one-year periods, in an amount up to \$5,000,000.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.00. The decision to exercise renewal options will be based on the Contractor's successful performance of the assigned work. Each Delivery Order shall be treated as an individual contract and must be completed within the stipulated substantial completion days in each Delivery Order document.

PROJECT TIMELINE:

| 2024 - 2025 | 2025 - 2026 | |
|------------------|---------------|--|
| December - March | April - April | |
| Bid/ | Construction | |
| Award | Construction | |

Project schedule reflects City Council award in March 2025 with anticipated completion in April 2026.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROCESS

On December 23, 2024, the Contracts and Procurement Department issued a Request for Bids (RFB #6273) for the Citywide Water Line Repair/Replace-Large Diameter Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) project. On January 29, 2025, the City received four bids. The city analyzed the bids according to the contract documents and determined that RUTS Construction was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. As the lowest bid received was within the acceptable range of the Engineer's Opinion of Probable Cost.

A summary of the bids is provided below:

| BID SUMMARY | | |
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| CONTRACTOR | BASE BID | |
| RUTS Construction, LLC Haslet, Texas | \$5,692,905.00 | |
| Gerke Excavating Tomah, Wisconsin | \$6,188,386.08 | |
| Reytec Construction Houston, Texas | \$6,453,460.00 | |
| National Power Rodding Corp. Chicago, Illinois | \$7,359,785.62 | |
| Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost | \$4,999,625.00 | |

RUTS Construction, LLC, has successfully completed various projects with comparable scopes of work for local municipalities, including:

- North Texas Municipal Water District: construction of 84-inch and 42-inch water line at a cost of \$1.4M
- City of Electra, Texas: construction of 1,700 linear feet of 8-inch water line at a cost of \$280,000
- City of Castroville, Texas: construction of 8-inch water line to 52 homes at a cost of \$376,000.
- City of Greenville, Texas: construction of 48-inch, 24-inch, 16-inch water line at a cost of \$1M.
- CCW department the Mary Rhodes Pipeline projects: RUTS Construction, LLC has successfully completed replacement and improvement on various large diameter water lines throughout CCW's water distribution and raw water system.

Upon the awarding of the project, RUTS Construction will designate a local crew to respond to the project's emergency response delivery orders in accordance with the Emergency Response Requirements outlined in the contract documents. RUTS Construction is currently working with the CCW department on the Mary Rhodes Pipeline Phase 1 Assessment. Staff are happy with their performance on both current and previous projects.

ALTERNATIVES:

City Council could choose not to award the construction contract to RUTS Construction. This would delay repairs to the water distribution system causing more costly repairs to the infrastructure and property.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact to Corpus Christi Water in FY 2025 is an amount of \$5,000,000.00 with funding available from the Water Capital Fund.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund:Water 2024 CIP (Rv Bds) (Fund 4491)Department:Water (45)Organization:Grants & Capital Projects Funds (89)Project:Citywide Water Line Repair/Replace - Large Diameter IDIQ FY24
(Project No. 24065)Account:Construction (550910)Activity:24065Amount:\$5,000,000.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends awarding the construction contract for the Citywide Water Line Repair/Replace-Large Diameter IDIQ FY2024 project to RUTS Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$5,000,000.00. The construction duration is planned for 12 months from issuance of the Notice to Proceed to begin construction in April 2025 with completion in April 2026.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Location and Vicinity Map Bid Tab CIP Page PowerPoint Presentation