City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 02/18/20 **M&C FILE NUMBER**: M&C 20-0073

LOG NAME: 13P19-0051 RESILIENT SEATED GATE VALVES SKR WATER

SUBJECT

Authorize the Execution of a Purchase Agreement with Core & Main LP, for Seated Gate, Tapping and Butterfly Valves in an Annual Amount Up to \$277,439.00 and Authorize Four One-Year Renewal Terms for the Water Department (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of a purchase agreement with Core & Main LP for seated gate, tapping and butterfly valves in an annual amount up to \$277,439.00 and authorize four one-year renewal terms for the Water Department.

DISCUSSION:

The Water Department approached the Purchasing Division to procure for various valves to restrict and direct water flow in large water mains at various locations throughout the City and within the wastewater piping system.

The Invitation to Bid (ITB) consisted of detailed specifications describing the size, pressure, and manufacturing requirements for each type of valve. All valves were required to meet City of Fort Worth Standard Product List with submitted certifications and shop drawings for each type of valve requested. The Water Department verified Core & Main LP meets specifications for the items they are being awarded. Although, Water Technology Resources (WTR) submitted the lowest bid, they are deemed non-responsive due to not meeting specifications. WTR is not an approved vendor on the Water Department Approved Standard Product List.

The ITB was advertised in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram on September 4, 2019, September 11, 2019, September 18, 2019, September 25, 2019 and October 2, 2019. The City received five (5) responses.

A waiver of the goal for M/WBE subcontracting requirements was requested by the Purchasing Division and then approved by the MWBE Office, in accordance with the MWBE or BDE Ordinance, because the purchase of goods or services is from sources where contracting or supplier opportunities are negligible.

An Administrative change order or increase may be made by the City Manager up to the amount allowed by relevant law and the Fort Worth City Code and does not require specific City Council approval as long as sufficient funds have been appropriated.

This Agreement shall begin on the date of City Council approval and expire on September 30, 2020.

This Agreement may be renewed at the City's option for four one-year terms. This action does require City Council approval provided that the City Council has appropriated sufficient funds to satisfy the City's obligations during the renewal terms.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendation and award of the contract, funds are available in the current operating budget of the Water & Sewer Fund. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Water Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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