



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Razi Hosseini

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** District 8

**SUBJECT:**

Contract Award: Orsinger Low Water Crossing (LWC) #35

**SUMMARY:**

An ordinance accepting the lowest responsive bid and awarding a construction contract to J3 Company, LLC in the amount of \$1,128,652.00, of which \$218,157.00 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) for the Orsinger Low Water Crossing (LWC) #35 project located in Council District 8. Funds are available from the Stormwater Operating Fund and are included in the FY 2022 – FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

**Project Background**

During rain events, the low water crossing along Orsinger is subject to flooding and is closed to travelers. This phase of the project will provide for drainage improvements in the area along the Orsinger low water crossing. Improvements will include the installation of box culverts, curbs and traffic rails, raising the existing roadway profile and channel upgrades. Joint-bid SAWS water and sewer utility work is also included as part of this project. Construction is anticipated to begin in June 2022 and is estimated to be completed in December 2022.

### Procurement of Services

This project was advertised on February 4, 2022, for construction bids in the San Antonio Hart Beat, the City's website, the Texas Electronic State Business Daily, TVSA, and through the electronic bidding website CivCast. Bids were opened on March 8, 2022 and five (5) bids were received. Of these, the lowest bidder was deemed nonresponsive due to not meeting SBEDA subcontracting requirements, thereby making J3 Company, LLC the lowest responsive bidder, as indicated in the attached bid summary matrix.

This contract will be awarded in compliance with the Small Business Economic Development Advocacy (SBEDA) Program, which requires contracts to be reviewed by a Goal Setting Committee to establish a requirement and/or incentive unique to the particular contract to maximize the amount of small, minority and women-owned business participation on the contract. The Goal Setting Committee set a 24% Minority/Women Business Enterprise (M/WBE) subcontracting goal and a 3% African-American Business Enterprise (AABE) subcontracting goal. J3 Company, LLC, has agreed to meet the subcontracting participation goals.

This construction contract was developed utilizing the low bid process. Therefore, a Contracts Disclosure Form is not required.

### **ISSUE:**

This ordinance accepts the lowest responsive bid and awards a construction contract to J3 Company, LLC in the amount of \$1,128,652.00, of which \$218,157.00 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System (SAWS) for the Orsinger Low Water Crossing (LWC) #35 project located in Council District 8.

This phase of the project will provide for drainage improvements in the area along the Orsinger low water crossing. Improvements will include the installation of box culverts, curbs and traffic rails, raising the existing roadway profile and channel upgrades. The included joint-bid SAWS water and sewer utility work will include installing a water main and replacing sewer utility holes. Construction is anticipated to begin in June 2022 and is estimated to be completed in December 2022.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

As an alternative, City Council could choose not to award this contract and require staff to re-advertise the project; however, considering the additional time required for another solicitation process, this would adversely affect the project's timely completion.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

This is a one-time capital improvement expenditure in the amount of \$1,128,652.00 payable to J3 Company, LLC. Of this amount, \$218,157.00 will be reimbursed by SAWS. Funds are available

from the Stormwater Operating Fund and are included in the FY 2022 – FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance accepting the lowest responsive bid and awarding a construction contract to J3 Company, LLC in the amount of \$1,128,652.00, of which \$218,157.00 will be reimbursed by San Antonio Water System for the Orsinger Low Water Crossing (LWC) #35 project.