



CITY OF SEGUIN

Memorandum

To: Mayor and City Council Members
Douglas Faseler, City Manager

From: David Rabago, P.E., CFM, Utility Engineer

Through: Rick Cortes, Assistant City Manager

Date: July 13, 2015

Subject: IH – 10 Utility Adjustments

As presented to Council in February 3, 2015, TxDOT plans to make approximately \$27,000,000 in improvements to Interstate 10 in Seguin, to include access roads on some portions of the highway's frontage. Some of our underground utilities that cross the interstate right of way are in conflict with the planned improvements and will need to be relocated. These conflicts include the sanitary sewer main crossing near Huber Road, and the water main that crosses at North Austin Street. As part of this relocation we are taking advantage of this opportunity to upgrade the size of the water and sewer mains as well.

On May 19, 2015, the City of Seguin opened bids for the utility adjustments project at the intersections of IH-10 and N. Austin St., and IH-10 and Huber Road. The sewer adjustment consists of an upgraded 24" sewer main, approximately 740 linear feet in length, along Huber Road. The proposed sewer main has been designed to accommodate anticipated future growth in the area. The water adjustment consists of an upgraded 16" water main crossing, approximately 460 linear feet in length, under IH-10 along N. Austin St. The proposed water main will allow future expansion of water infrastructure as outlined in the Water Master Plan, prepared by Freese and Nichols, Inc. The water improvements are also eligible for partial reimbursement from TxDOT.

Bids were received from four different contractors ranging from a low base bid of \$506,821.00 from Atlas Construction Corporation of Granite Shoals to a high base bid of \$622,055.28 from Wauters Engineering, LLC of St. Hedwig. Principal Engineer, K. Beau Perry, P.E. with TRC and city staff have reviewed the proposed bids and recommend awarding the contract to Atlas Construction Corporation, the lowest qualified bidder for the IH-10 Utility Adjustments Project. Staff is recommending Atlas based on strong references and experience with similar projects, as well as being the lowest qualified bidder. The construction of the utility adjustments will be funded through the Water and Sewer Impact Fee Fund.

Please find attached Bid Recommendation Letter from TRC dated June 9, 2015 recommending the award of the IH-10 Utility Adjustments. Staff concurs with this recommendation and will be available to answer any questions at the Tuesday, July 21, 2015 City Council Meeting.