



City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Procurement
ACM: Christine Taylor
DATE: September 9, 2025

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Mountain Cascade of Texas, LLC, for the construction and movement of public water/wastewater utilities in support of TxDOT's FM 1515 widening from I-35 Frontage Road to Westcourt Road for the Capital Projects Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (IFB 7968-007 – awarded to Mountain Cascade of Texas, LLC, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$4,987,742.55). [The Public Utilities Board recommends approval \(5 - 0\).](#)

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

This action supports Key Focus Area: Enhance Infrastructure and Mobility.

INFORMATION/BACKGROUND

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has proposed a widening of FM 1515 from Interstate Highway 35 Frontage Road (I-35) to Westcourt Road with an estimated construction start of late 2025. The FM 1515 Utility Relocation Project will move public utilities in support of TxDOT with the removal and installation of 7,796 linear feet of water and wastewater utilities from I-35 Frontage Road to Westcourt Road. To align with TxDOT FM 1515 widening, the project is scheduled for 300 days to final completion. Since the project is a forced relocation of City of Denton utilities, there will be reimbursements from TxDOT to support this effort.

The FM 1515 Utility Relocation Project has a total estimated cost of \$4,987,742.55. This estimate includes a \$4,750,231.00 total base bid amount and a contingency of \$237,511.55. A five (5) percent contingency allowance, if any, is for the sole use of the City and will be subject to written authorization by the City's Project Manager and Program Manager.

| Project Description | Estimated Project Expenditure |
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| Construction of Water Utilities | \$4,118,737.80 |
| Construction of Wastewater Utilities | 631,493.20 |
| 5% Contingency Allowance | 237,511.55 |
| Total NTE Amount: | \$4,987,742.55 |

In an effort to meet TxDOT’s anticipated roadway construction schedule, a Request for Qualifications for utility relocation construction services was solicited using the City’s formal solicitation process. City Council approved a pre-qualified list of professional service firms on June 7, 2022 (Ordinance 22-1145).

Invitation for Bids was sent to the three pre-qualified firms. Two (2) bids meeting specifications were received. The lowest bid was received from Mountain Cascade of Texas, LLC. The primary factor contributing to this discrepancy is the method by which each vendor handles pipe fusion. Mountain Cascade has the capability to fuse HDPE water main pipe in-house, utilizing their own equipment and skilled workforce. This streamlines operations, reduces costs associated with transportation, and eliminates the need to pay third-party contractors for this specialized service. As a result, their bid reflects a lower overall cost.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On June 7, 2022, City Council approved RFQ 7968 for a prequalified list of firms for utility relocation and construction services for various Capital Investment Projects (Ordinance 22-1145).

On August 25, 2025, the Public Utilities Board (PUB) recommended this item to the City Council for consideration.

RECOMMENDATION

Award a contract with Mountain Cascade of Texas, LLC, for the construction and movement of public water/wastewater utilities in support of TxDOT’s FM 1515 widening from I-35 Frontage Road to Westcourt Road for the Capital Projects Department, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$4,987,742.55.

PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

Mountain Cascade of Texas, LLC
Alvarado, TX

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE OF PROJECT

This project will be started upon approval with a final completion date within 300 days.

FISCAL INFORMATION

These items/services will be funded from a combination of the following accounts.

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| TXDOT I-35N WATER LINE RELOCATION | 630573517.1365.401000 | \$3,400,000 |
| TXDOT I-35N WATER LINE RELOCATION | 630511523.1365.401000 | \$718,737.80 |
| TXDOT I-35N WW LINE RELOCATION | 640529545.1365.401000 | \$631,493.20 |

Requisition #171524 has been entered into the Purchasing software system in the amount of \$4,750,231. The budgeted amount for this item is \$4,987,742.55.

EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1: Agenda Information Sheet
- Exhibit 2: Ordinance and Contract

Respectfully submitted:
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