



Meeting Date: October 30, 2025 **Agenda Type:** Consent Items for Action

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Chief Operations Officer Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Authorize the CEO or His Designee to Negotiate and Execute a Construction Contract with Allbrite Constructors of Texas, Inc. for the Construction of the Broken and Critical Valve Replacements Project for the Installation, Removal, and/or Replacement of Water Valves

BACKGROUND

On June 24, 2025, New Braunfels Utilities (“NBU”) issued a request for bids for the Broken and Critical Valve Replacement Project (the “Project”), which includes (i) installation of new and/or the removal and replacement of water valves ranging in size from 2-inch to 18-inch at a total of ten (10) different NBU sites; (ii) storm water pollution prevention; (iii) restoration; and (iv) all other appurtenances necessary to complete the Project.

On July 29, 2025, NBU received four (4) bids for the Project during the public bidding process. The project team evaluated the bids and recommends the selection of Allbrite Constructors of Texas, Inc. (“Allbrite”) for the Project. Allbrite was selected as the respondent who provides the best value to NBU based on the selection criteria, the weighted value for those criteria, and the ranking evaluation, including their cost of work, proposed schedule, past performance on similar projects, overall qualifications, available resources, corporate history, and references. The Allbrite proposal includes a base bid of \$661,460.29, which was the lowest base bid out of the four (4) respondents.

NBU staff requests that the Board of Trustees approve the Construction Contract Agreement (the “Contract”) with Allbrite for the Project.

This item is being presented to the Board because the total amount of this contract exceeds \$250,000.00.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The total financial impact of the Contract with Allbrite for the Project is \$661,460.29. The Project is budgeted within the Fiscal Year 2026 NBU Board approved Capital Improvements Projects Budget. Anticipating the need for project change orders, a contract contingency in the amount of \$100,000.00, which is approximately 15% of the total contract amount, will be added to the project construction budget. The total Contract amount plus contingency is \$761,460.29.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Customers and Community

Infrastructure and Technology

Stewardship

EXHIBITS

1. Bid Tab (RFB 25-0095)

Broken and Critical Valve Replacement Bid Tab	
<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Allbrite Constructors of Texas, Inc.	\$661,460.29
Guerra Underground, LLC.	\$1,010,248.83
MC Etheridge Co.	\$1,167,412.15
RHTX Construction, LLC.	\$999,803.00

2. Bid Evaluation Matrix – Competitive Sealed Proposal (25-0095)

Vendor	Cost of Work	Proposed Schedule/ Contract Time	Past Performance on Similar Projects	Overall Qualifications, Past relationship with NBU, Reputation	Available Resources to Complete the Project	Contractor's Corporate History and Stability	References	Total Score
Allbrite Constructors of Texas	5	0	2.5	3	3	3	3	67
Guerra Underground, LLC	3.27	3	4	3	3	4	3	65.2
M. C. Ethridge Co.	2.83	3	4	4	3	4	3	62.3
RHTX Construction, LLC	3.31	2.5	3	2.5	3	3	3	60.35

3. Construction Contract with Allbrite