



Meeting Date: September 25, 2025 **Agenda Type:** Consent Items for Action

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RECOMMENDED ACTION: Authorize the CEO or His Designee to Negotiate and Execute a Joint Construction Contract Agreement with Capital Excavation Company and the City of New Braunfels for the San Antonio Street Rehabilitation and Water Lane Utility Improvements Project Phase 3

BACKGROUND

On May 21, 2025 New Braunfels Utilities (“NBU”) and the City of New Braunfels (“CoNB”) issued a request for bids for the San Antonio Street Rehabilitation Phase 3 Project, which includes the rehabilitation of existing water mains, sanitary sewer mains, steel encasements, fittings, valves, fire hydrants, meters, meter vaults, cleanouts and manholes, connection to the existing concrete steel cylinder water main, abandonment and removal of existing water and sewer mains, erosion and traffic controls (the “Project”).

On June 16, 2025, NBU and CoNB received five (5) bids for the Project during the public bidding process. The project team evaluated the bids and recommends the selection of Capital Excavation Co. (“Cap Ex”) for the Project. Cap Ex 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. Cap Ex’s proposal includes a base bid for the NBU portion of the work of \$3,286,155.50, which was the second lowest base bid out of the five (5) respondents.

NBU staff requests that the Board of Trustees approve the Construction Contract Agreement (the “Contract”) with Cap Ex 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 Cap Ex for the Project is \$3,286,155.50. The Project is budgeted within the Fiscal Year 2025 through Fiscal Year 2027 NBU Board approved Capital

Improvements Projects Budget. Anticipating the need for project change orders, a contract contingency in the amount of \$330,000.00, which is approximately 10% of the total contract amount, will be added to the project construction budget. The total Contract amount plus contingency is \$3,616,155.50.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Infrastructure and Technology

EXHIBITS

1. Construction Contract with Cap Ex
2. Bid Tab

Bid Tab	
<i>Bidder</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>
Capital Excavation	\$3,286,155.50
Cash Construction	\$3,330,828.50
Lupe Rubio	\$2,589,720.40
R.L. Jones	\$3,964,960.00
Spiess Construction	\$4,160,980.00

3. Bid Evaluation Matrix – Competitive Sealed Proposal

Bid Evaluation Matrix						
Item	Criteria	Cap Ex	Cash	Lupe Rubio	RL Jones	Spiess
1.	Cost of the Work	58	65	59	51	55
2.	Experience and Qualifications	25	16	11.7	21	20.7
3.	Proposed Schedule / Contract Time	10	8.7	5.3	6.7	7
	Total Score	93.0	89.7	76.0	78.7	82.7