

RESOLUTION NO. 01-2015

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS,
AWARDING BID TO STARKS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE 24 INCH 3RD
PRESSURE PLANE SUPPLY LINE PROJECT**

WHEREAS, The City of Abilene (City) owns and operates the Maple Street Pump Station facility (MSPS) and associated piping network located in south Abilene; and

WHEREAS, the MSPS is an important component of Abilene's potable water distribution system and is utilized to pump water south into the Second Pressure Plane (2PP) and the Third Pressure Plane (3PP) and also to transfer excess water produced by the Hargesheimer Water Treatment Plant (HWTP) north into the 2PP and First Pressure Plane (1PP); and

WHEREAS, there exists an eighteen inch diameter pipeline extending from the MSPS south into the 3PP, and the existing pipeline does not have excess capacity to meet the water demands of the growing population of far south Abilene, including periods of peak summer time demands; and

WHEREAS, the severe drought in this region has resulted in dwindling water supplies for the City of Abilene and its wholesale water supply customers, and Abilene has evaluated its water supply sources, water treatment plants, and water distribution systems and has identified projects necessary to meet Abilene's water demands during an extended drought scenario; and

WHEREAS, the proposed 24 inch 3rd Pressure Plane Supply Line is a key component in the transfer of excess water produced by an expanded HWTP into the 1PP and 2PP, and as a pump station to move adequate water into the 3PP should the HWTP be taken offline for an extended period of time; and

WHEREAS, the Project provides for the construction of a 24 inch diameter pipeline beginning at the existing Maple Street Pump Station and extending generally south to a connection with an existing 24 inch diameter pipeline in the 3PP of south Abilene, and the proposed new pipeline will have a different path than that of the existing 18 inch diameter pipeline, but it will function in parallel with that existing pipeline to improve both the pumping and transfer capacities of the MSPS; and

WHEREAS, the Water Department contracted with Jacob and Martin, Ltd. (J&M) for Engineering Services for Planning, Designing and Construction Management of the Third Pressure Plane Supply Pipeline Project, and J&M did assist Abilene is soliciting for bids for the Project; and

WHEREAS, Starks Construction Company (Starks) did submit the lowest bid price of \$2,369,135.71, and J&M evaluated the bid for conformity with the advertisement for bids and checked the references of the apparent low bidder and based on its evaluation does recommend that the contract be awarded to Starks; and

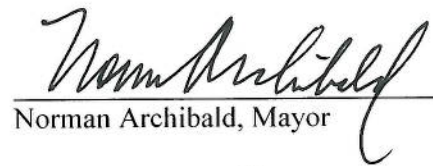
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

That the Interim City Manager is authorized to execute a construction contract with Starks Construction Company, the lowest responsible bidder, for the 24 Inch 3rd Pressure Plane Supply Line Project in the amount of \$2,369,135.71.

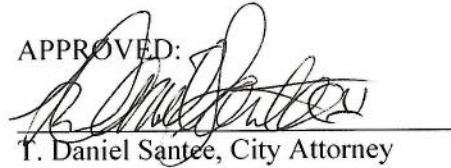
ADOPTED this 8th day of January, 2015.

ATTEST:


Danette Dunlap, City Secretary


Norman Archibald, Mayor

APPROVED:


T. Daniel Santee, City Attorney