



## STANDARD AGREEMENT

(Version 9-22-2023)

This AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is entered by and between **Branch Construction Group**, (“Contractor”), located at **1621 FM 517 RD E Suite D** and the **City of League City** (“City”), a home-rule municipality, located at 300 W. Walker St., League City, Texas 77573 on the date set forth below.

### Terms:

- 1. Scope of Services:** Contractor will perform the services and/or provide the products as set forth in **Exhibit A**, which is attached and incorporated herein, and which can be generally described as **Enterprise 12” Aerial Waterline Replacement on Bridge Crossing**. If there is a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and Exhibit A, the terms of this Agreement will prevail.
- 2. Term and Termination:** This Agreement shall commence on **April 22, 2025** and shall expire on **July 22, 2025**. The period from commencement to expiration is the Contract Term. City reserves the right to terminate this Agreement for convenience upon seven (7) days written notice to Contractor. Upon such termination, City shall pay Contractor, at the rate set out in **Exhibit A**, for services satisfactorily performed or products satisfactorily provided up through the date of termination. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, City will not be required to pay or reimburse Contractor for any services performed or for expenses incurred by Contractor after the date of the termination notice that could have been avoided or mitigated by Contractor.
- 3. Compensation:** Contractor shall be paid for the services/products as set forth in **Exhibit A**. In no event shall the total compensation exceed **\$119,186.00** during the term of this Agreement. City shall tender payment (including progress/partial payments) for services/goods only after such services are completed or goods are delivered and are deemed to be acceptable under this Agreement, in the sole reasonable discretion of City. Contractor must submit to City invoices for all goods delivered and services provided, which invoices must include details and dates of service or delivery. Payment by City shall be made within thirty (30) days of receipt of an invoice, except for any portion of the invoiced amount that City disapproves as not compliant under this Agreement, in the sole reasonable discretion of City. If City disapproves any amount submitted for payment by Contractor, City shall give Contractor specific reasons for disapproval in writing.
- 4. Insurance:** Contractor is required during the Contract Term to maintain insurance as follows: (a) Comprehensive General Commercial Liability insurance covering bodily injury and property damage, with minimum coverage limits—exclusive of defense costs—of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate; (b) If Contractor will provide City “professional services,” as that term is used in Chapter 252 of the Texas Local Government Code, Professional Liability (errors and omissions/malpractice) insurance with minimum coverage limits—exclusive of defense costs—of \$2,000,000 per occurrence; and (c) If at any point during the Contract Term it is foreseeable that Contractor will enter upon City premises: (i) Worker’s Compensation coverage with statutory limits for the State of Texas, and (ii) Commercial Automobile Liability coverage with minimum coverage limits—exclusive of defense costs—of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and

\$2,000,000 aggregate. All policies must contain a waiver of subrogation against City. Comprehensive General Liability and Commercial Automobile Liability policies must name the City as Additional Insured. Contractor shall pay all insurance deductibles and deductibles must not exceed \$10,000 unless approved in advance by City. Contractor shall provide City Certificates of Insurance evidencing these insurance requirements prior to the start of work.

5. **Liquidated Damages:** Liquidated damages are applicable to this transaction. Contractor acknowledges that time is of the essence in performing this Agreement. City and Contractor (collectively, the "Parties") agree that if Contractor is late in performing any obligation of this Agreement, City will suffer loss, damages, or other harm from Contractor's delay. The Parties agree that the amount of loss, damages, or harm likely to be incurred is incapable or difficult to precisely estimate, and therefore Contractor agrees to pay City liquidated damages for delay at a daily rate equal to the total compensation allowed under the Agreement divided by the number of days in the Contract Term. The Parties further agree that: (i) the liquidated damages specified herein are not a penalty but rather bear a reasonable relationship to, and is not plainly or grossly disproportionate to, the probable loss likely to be incurred by City as a result of Contractor's delay; (ii) one of the reasons for City and Contractor to agree to such amounts is the uncertainty and cost of litigation regarding the question of actual damages; and (iii) City and Contractor are sophisticated business parties and negotiated this Agreement at arm's length.
6. **Independent Contractor:** Contractor is an independent contractor and is not an employee, partner, joint venture, or agent of City. Contractor understands and agrees that he/she will not be entitled to any benefits generally available to City employees. Contractor shall be responsible for all expenses necessary to carry out the services under this Agreement and shall not be reimbursed by City for such expenses except as otherwise provided in this Agreement.
7. **Intellectual Property:** This Agreement shall be an Agreement for services and the parties intend and consider any work created as a result of this Agreement, including any and all documentation, images, products or results, to be a work (the "Work") for hire under federal copyright law. Ownership of the Work shall belong to and remain the exclusive property of City. The Work may be edited at any time within City's discretion. If the Work would not be considered a work-for-hire under applicable law, Contractor hereby assigns, transfers, and conveys any and all rights, title and interest to City, including without limitation all copyrights, patents, rights of reproduction, rights to ownership, and right to secure registrations, renewals, reissues and extensions thereof. As the sole copyright holder of the Work, City maintains and asserts the rights to use, reproduce, make derivative works from, and/or edit the Work in any form of medium, expression or technology now known or hereafter developed, at any time within City's discretion. Contractor shall not sell, disclose or obtain any other compensation for the services provided herein or the Work. If the Work is one to which the provisions of 17 U.S.C. § 106A apply, Contractor hereby waives and appoints City to assert on Contractor's behalf Contractor's moral rights or any equivalent rights regarding the form or extent of any alteration to the Work (including, without limitation, removal or destruction) or the making of any derivative works based on the Work, including, without limitation, photographs, drawings or other visual reproductions of the work, in any medium, for City's purposes.
8. **Confidentiality:** During the course of the services to be provided under this Agreement, Contractor may become privy to confidential information of City. Contractor agrees to treat as confidential the information or knowledge that becomes known to Contractor during performance of this Agreement and to not use, copy, or disclose such information to any third party unless authorized in writing by City. This provision does not restrict the disclosure of any

information that is required to be disclosed under applicable law. Contractor shall promptly notify City of any misuse or unauthorized disclosure of City's confidential information and upon expiration of this Agreement shall return to City all confidential information in Contractor's possession or control. Contractor shall further comply with all information security policies of City that may apply and shall not make any press releases, public statements or advertisement referring to the services provided under this Agreement or the engagement of Contractor without the prior written approval of City.

9. **Warranties and Representations:** Contractor warrants and agrees that Contractor shall perform its services and conduct all operations in conformity with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances. For any service performed on premises owned or controlled by City, Contractor warrants and agrees that Contractor will perform said services in compliance with all City rules, including but not limited to, prohibitions related to tobacco use, alcohol, and other drugs.
10. **Licenses/Certifications:** Contractor represents and warrants that it will obtain and maintain in effect, and pay the cost of, all licenses, permits or certifications that may be necessary for Contractor's performance of this Agreement. If Contractor is a business entity, Contractor warrants, represents, covenants, and agrees that it is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state of its formation; and is duly authorized and in good standing to conduct business in the State of Texas, that it has all necessary power and has received all necessary approvals to execute and deliver the Agreement and is authorized to execute this Agreement according to its terms on behalf of Contractor.
11. **Performance/Qualifications:** Contractor agrees and represents that Contractor has the personnel, experience, and knowledge necessary to qualify Contractor for the particular duties to be performed under this Agreement. Contractor warrants that all services performed under this Agreement shall be performed consistent with generally prevailing professional or industry standards.
12. **Conflict of Interest:** Contractor warrants, represents, and agrees that Contractor presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, that would conflict in any manner or degree with Contractor's performance of the services hereunder. Contractor further warrants and affirms that no relationship or affiliation exists between Contractor and City that could be construed as a conflict of interest with regard to this Agreement.
13. **INDEMNIFICATION: CONTRACTOR SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS CITY , AND EACH OF ITS OFFICIALS, OFFICERS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, ACTIONS, SUITS, DEMANDS, PROCEEDINGS, COSTS, DAMAGES AND LIABILITIES, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ATTORNEYS' FEES AND REASONABLE LITIGATION COSTS, ARISING OUT OF, CONNECTED WITH, OR RESULTING FROM ANY ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF CONTRACTOR OR ANY AGENT, EMPLOYEE, SUBCONTRACTOR, OR SUPPLIER OF CONTRACTOR IN THE EXECUTION OR PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT, TO THE EXTENT THE CLAIM ARISES FROM**

## NEGLIGENCE, WILLFUL ACT, BREACH OF CONTRACT OR VIOLATION OF LAW.

14. **Force Majeure:** Neither City nor Contractor shall be liable for any delay in the performance of this Agreement, nor for any other breach, nor for any loss or damage arising solely from uncontrollable forces such as fire, theft, storm, war, or any other force majeure that could not have been reasonably avoided by the exercise of due diligence.
15. **Notices:** Any notice given under this Agreement by either party to the other may be affected either by personal delivery in writing or by mail, registered or certified postage prepaid with return receipt requested. Mailed notices shall be addressed to the addresses of the Parties as they appear in the contract. Notices delivered personally shall be deemed communicated at the time of actual receipt. Mailed notices shall be deemed communicated three (3) days after mailing.
16. **Texas Family Code Child Support Certification:** Pursuant to Section 231.006 of the Texas Family Code, Contractor certifies that it is not ineligible to receive the award of or payments under the Agreement and acknowledges that the Agreement may be terminated, and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
17. **State and/or City Auditor:** Contractor understands that acceptance of funds under the Agreement constitutes acceptance of the authority of the Texas State Auditor's Office, or any successor agency or the City's internal auditor (collectively, the "Auditor"), to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. Contractor agrees to cooperate with the Auditor in the conduct of the audit or investigation, including without limitation providing all records requested. Contractor will include this provision in all contracts with permitted subcontractors.
18. **Jurisdiction:** Any disputes under this Agreement shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction in Galveston, Texas and governed by Texas law.
19. **Alternative Dispute Resolution:** To the extent that Chapter 2260, Texas Government Code, is applicable to this Contract and is not preempted by other applicable law, the dispute resolution process provided for in Chapter 2260 and the related rules adopted by the Texas Attorney General Pursuant to Chapter 2260, shall be used by City and Contractor to attempt to resolve any claim for breach of contract made by Contractor that cannot be resolved in the ordinary course of business. The Director of Finance of City shall examine Contractor's claim and any counterclaim and negotiate with Contractor in an effort to resolve such claims. This provision shall not be construed as a waiver by City of its right to seek redress in the courts.
20. **Entire Agreement:** This Agreement contains the entire understanding between the Parties and supersedes all prior agreements, arrangements, and understanding, oral or written between the Parties relating to this Agreement. This Agreement may not be modified except by mutual written agreement of the Parties executed subsequent to this Agreement.
21. **Eligibility to Receive Payment:** Contractor certifies that, as a matter of state law, it is not ineligible to receive the Agreement and payments pursuant to the Agreement and acknowledges that the Agreement may be terminated, and payment withheld if this representation is inaccurate.
22. **Payment of Debt/Delinquency to State:** Contractor certifies that it is not indebted to the City of League City and is current on all taxes owed to the City of League City. Contractor agrees that any payments owing to Contractor under the Agreement may be applied directly toward any debt

or delinquency that Contractor owes the City of League City regardless of when it arises, until such debt or delinquency is paid in full.

23. **Products and Materials Produced in Texas:** If Contractor will provide services under the Agreement, Contractor covenants and agrees that in performing its duties and obligations under the Agreement, it will purchase products and materials produced in Texas when such products and materials are available at a price and delivery time comparable to products and materials produced outside of Texas.
24. **Risk of Loss:** If applicable, all work performed by Contractor pursuant to the Agreement will be at Contractor's exclusive risk until final and complete acceptance of the work by City. In the case of any loss or damage to the work prior to City's acceptance, bearing such loss or damage will be Contractor's responsibility.
25. **Publicity:** Contractor shall not use City's name, logo or likeness in any press release, marketing materials or other public announcement without receiving City's prior written approval.
26. **Legal Construction/Severability:** In the event that any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision, and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provisions had never been contained in it. To this end, the provisions of this Agreement are declared to be severable. The Parties may mutually agree to renegotiate the Agreement to cure such illegality/invalidity or unconstitutionality if such may be reasonably accomplished.
27. **Limitations:** The Parties are aware that there are constitutional and statutory limitations on the authority of City to enter into certain terms and conditions of the Agreement, including, but not limited to, those terms and conditions relating to liens on City's property; disclaimers and limitations of warranties; disclaimers and limitations of liability for damages; waivers, disclaimers and limitations of legal rights, remedies, requirements and processes; limitations of periods to bring legal action; granting control of litigation or settlement to another party; liability for acts or omissions of third parties; payment of attorneys' fees; dispute resolution; indemnities; and confidentiality (collectively, the "Limitations"). Any terms and conditions related to the Limitations will not be binding on City except to the extent authorized by the laws and Constitution of the State of Texas.
28. **Sovereign Immunity:** The Parties agree that neither the execution of the Agreement by City nor any other conduct, action or inaction of any City representative relating to the Agreement constitutes a waiver of sovereign immunity by City. The Parties also agree that this Agreement constitutes a governmental function and is not a proprietary function.
29. **Authority:** The Parties stipulate that in entering into this Agreement, the City is performing a solely governmental function and not a proprietary function. Contractor warrants and represents that Contractor has full power and authority to enter into and perform this Agreement and to make the grant of rights contained herein. The person signing on behalf of City represents that he/she has authority to sign this Agreement on behalf of City.
30. **Non-Waiver:** The Parties specifically agree that neither the occurrence of an event giving rise to a breach of contract claim nor the pendency of a claim constitute grounds for the suspension of performance by Contractor. No covenant or condition of this Agreement may be waived except

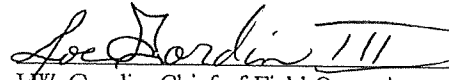
by written consent of the waiving party. Forbearance or indulgence by one party in any regard whatsoever shall not constitute a waiver of the covenant or condition to be performed by the other party.

31. **Prohibitions Pursuant to Texas Government Code:** By executing this Agreement Contractor verifies that Contractor (1) does not boycott Israel and will not during the term of this Agreement per Section 2274.002; (2) is not engaged in business with Iran, Sudan, or any company on the list referenced in Section 2252.152; (3) does not boycott energy companies and will not during the term of this Agreement per 2274.002; and (4) does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive of this Agreement against a firearm entity or firearm trade association and will not during the term of this Agreement per 2274.002.

*(signature block on next page)*

Executed on \_\_\_\_\_, *(date to be filled in by City Secretary)*

BRANCH CONSTRUCTION GROUP - "Contractor"

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
J.W. Gordin, Chief of Field Operations

CITY OF LEAGUE CITY - "City"

\_\_\_\_\_  
John Baumgartner, City Manager

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Diana Stapp, City Secretary

Approved as to Form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Office of the City Attorney

# Exhibit A

**Scope of Services/Description of Products/Payment Schedule**  
(There are 7 pages for Exhibit A, including this page)

Enterprise 12" Aerial Waterline Replacement on Bridge Crossing.





## Project Proposal

**Company:** City of League City

**Name:** Mr. Robert Taylor

**Phone:** 281-544-1045

**Email:** robert.taylor@leaguecitytx.gov

**Date:** April 8, 2025

**Reference:** 12" Waterline Replacement on Bridge Crossing Revised

**SO#** 3089

**TIPS Contract Number-200201-3132**

### Scope

Supply labor, materials, and equipment to excavate and remove existing 12" steel watermain on bridge crossing. Install fabricated L brackets and add rubber cradle guards to accommodate for the 12" TR Flex Ductile Iron pipe being installed. Excavate and install (2) 8" TS&V at designated locations provided by city representative and install bypass piping to both TS&V locations with necessary fittings. Existing pipes must be excavated to measure the OD to verify which TS&V must be installed. Make connections on each side of bridge with necessary fittings on existing PVC pipe. Pipe coating can be provided at the city's request and priced accordingly. All traffic control and safety equipment to be supplied by BCG during the project. Remove line stops and bypass system once installation of 12" DI crossing is installed and complete. Backfill and restore disturbed area due to scope of work. Complete in place.

- 12" Ductile Iron TR Flex- Quantity 100 LF
- 12" Mechanical Joint 45 Degree Bends- Quantity 4
- 12" Mechanical Joint Sleeves- Quantity 2
- 12" PVC Mega Locks- Quantity 2
- 12" Ductile Iron Mega Locks- Quantity 10
- 8" TS&V Full Body Mechanical- Quantity 2 (Lead Time Unknown at Time of Proposal)
- 8" HDPE Pipe for Bypass- Quantity 500 LF
- 8" HDPE Flanges- Quantity 2
- 2" Air Release Valve- Quantity 1
- SWPP Storm Water Runoff Protection

**Price: \$119,186**

**Notes/Exclusions:** This proposal is for aerial installation on bridge with 12" Ductile Iron pipe. Lead time of TS&V sleeve is unknown at the time of this proposal. Can verify exact lead time once sleeves are ordered.

- **Proposal is valid for 15 days from date of issuance.**



## Project Proposal

- Delays not caused by Branch Construction Group will be billed at the applicable rate.
- If non-standard working hours are requested additional charges will be applied unless previously agreed on. Definition - Night Work 5:30PM – 7AM or Weekend Work Saturday/Sunday at applicable rate. Pricing does not include boring through rock, compensation for utility conflicts, locating services or delays not caused by Branch Construction Group. See unit pricing below for individual rates and charges.
  - Additional \$3.00/Lf will be charged for boring through rock, shale, slate, and similar materials
  - Mobilization will be billed at \$2.50/mile for boring rig setup if applicable.
  - Mobilization will be billed at \$1.50/mile for workforce mobilization if applicable

## Assumptions

- Assumes that private utilities (e.g., sprinklers etc.) are marked by the customer; Branch Construction Group will use reasonable precautions but will not be responsible for damage to unmarked/incorrectly marked utilities.
- Customer responsible for all temporary/permanent fence removal/replacement.
- The job schedule must be mutually agreed upon.
- The work site will be cleaned by backhoe – will NOT include pressure wash/reclaimed water, street brush, etc.
- Well Point/Pump Systems not included; if necessary, incremental expense to be charged to customer.
- Branch Construction Group is not responsible for engineering drawings, city drawings, or any plans used for construction purposes. If there are errors or omissions and the job cannot be completed – Branch Construction Group will receive payment for work completed.
- All work to be done during normal construction hours (M-F, 7AM-5:30PM)

## Terms

- Net 30 days.

## Termination

- If the Client terminates this Contract after Branch Construction Group has commenced its work, the Client shall be responsible for the following:
  - The Client shall pay Branch Construction Group the Contract price of the fittings, or specialized materials once production has commenced or the items have been purchased.
  - The Client shall pay Branch Construction Group a 25% restocking fee in the event the job is cancelled because standard fittings have been ordered.



## Project Proposal

- The Client shall reimburse Branch Construction Group for all reasonable out-of-pocket mobilization expenses incurred by Branch Construction Group (including travel and transportation costs for Branch Construction Group personnel to the job site and an hourly rate of \$95.00 for each person mobilized by Branch Construction Group if Branch Construction Group has mobilized its personnel or agents in connection with the project.
- On certain occasions Branch Construction Group can return special or not normal size fittings. However, this will require 70% restocking fee if the job cancels or pipe size changes after fittings are ordered.

### Indemnification

- BRANCH CONSTRUCTION GROUP (HEREAFTER "BCG") SHALL INDEMNIFY CLIENT FOR DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF THE PERFORMANCE OF WORK, BUT ONLY TO THE EXTENT CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENT ACTS, ERRORS OR OMISSIONS OF BCG AND THE TOTAL LIABILITY TO CLIENT AND ANYONE CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, OR UNDER CLIENT FOR ANY COST, LOSS, LEGAL FEES, OR DAMAGES SHALL NOT EXCEED THE PERCENTAGE SHARE THAT BCG'S NEGLIGENCE BEARS TO THE TOTAL NEGLIGENCE OF CLIENT, BCG, AND ALL OTHER NEGLIGENT ENTITIES AND INDIVIDUALS.
- BY WAY OF FURTHER LIMITATION, BCG SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, WHETHER GROUNDED IN TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE), STRICT LIABILITY, OR CONTRACT, AND UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL BCG'S LIABILITY EXCEED THE PROJECT PROPOSAL PRICE CLIENT PAID BCG FOR THE GOODS OR SERVICES UPON WHICH LIABILITY IS CLAIMED. ANY ACTION FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT MUST BE COMMENCED WITHIN ONE (1) YEAR AFTER THE CAUSE OF ACTION HAS ACCRUED.

Accepted by:

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name Printed: \_\_\_\_\_

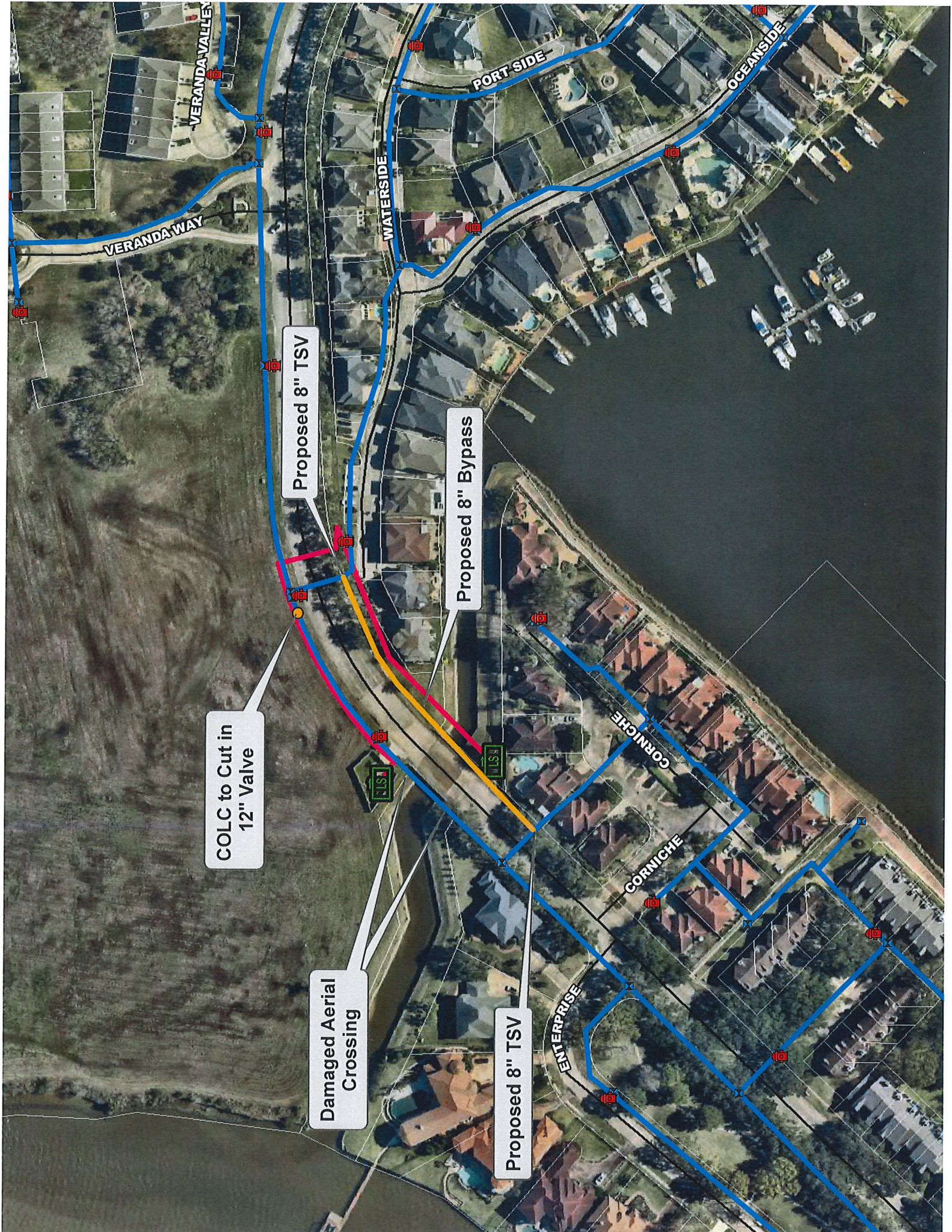
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## Project Proposal

## Enterprise Ave 12" Aerial Water Line Repair

Scope of work; replace approx. 100' of existing 12" welded steel water main aerial crossing the canal with ductile iron or welded steel. Locate and tie-in to the existing C-900 on either side of the canal by wet connect, to include restoration upon completion. City of League City will isolate the water line to complete the tie in. Contractor will be responsible for disinfecting the new section in accordance with TCEQ regulations and City of League construction standards. All open cut areas must be bedded with bank sand and inspected prior to backfill. We also request pricing for a bypass of the affected water main to be installed prior to the start of the project to ensure constant service to all customers as shown in the attached exhibit. See attached copy of approved vertical offset for use with ductile iron. Contractor to provide all necessary restraint fittings. All safety protocols in accordance with OSHA guidelines must be followed.



COLC to Cut in 12" Valve

Proposed 8" TSV

Proposed 8" Bypass

Damaged Aerial Crossing

Proposed 8" TSV

VERANDA VALLEY

VERANDA WAY

WATERSIDE

PORT SIDE

OCEANSIDE

CORNICHE

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ENTERPRISE