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Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No. 29

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract through the Texas Building and Procurement Commission with TOTER INC., Statesville, NC, for the purchase of garbage carts in an amount not to exceed \$791,186.76.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Solid Waste Services Department

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Additional Backup Material

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No Attachments Available

For More Information: R. C. Hernandez, Senior Buyer, 974-6434

Purchasing Language: Cooperative Purchase

This contract is for the purchase of 1,140 (32-gallon), 6,720 (64-gallon), and 10,584 (96-gallon) carts to be issued by the Solid Waste Services Department (SWS), Pay-As-You-Throw Program. The Pay-As-You-Throw Program requires City of Austin customers to use a City issued garbage cart for removal of residential garbage. This program began in the fall of 1993. This contract is necessary to support SWS with a reliable and continuous source of supply for the 32, 64 and 96 gallon carts. Periodically, SWS purchases carts of each size to keep a sufficient supply readily available to replace existing customer carts, broken carts, or to issue new carts to new customers on an as needed basis.

Toter is the cart manufacturer, supplier, and is under contract with the Texas Building and Procurement Commission (TBPC) to supply these types/sizes of garbage carts statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process through TBPC. The City has previously purchased garbage carts manufactured by Toter and found them to perform satisfactorily. Purchase of garbage carts from Toter guarantees that all components (i.e. handles, wheels, lids, locking bars, etc.) are interchangeable, thus eliminating component problems associated with items not being in stock or available. Utilizing the TBPC contract provides volume discount pricing and the earliest opportunity to get delivery of the carts.

Toter garbage carts can be purchased through TBPC at the same prices as offered in February, 2005.

Cart Size Current Unit Price 32 Gallon \$ 34.09 64 Gallon \$ 41.96 96 Gallon \$ 44.44