

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA



Thursday, March 08, 2007

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Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No 23

Subject Authorize award and execution of a contract with AMC INDUSTRIES, San Antonio, TX, for a computerized irrigation control system in amount not to exceed \$81,962

Amount and Source of Funding Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Parks and Recreation 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 Cruz Banda, Buyer II/974-2133

Purchasing Language Sole bid received

MBE/WBE This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No Subcontracting opportunities were identified, therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract is for the purchase of a computerized irrigation control system for the Jimmy Clay Golf Course. The control system is an upgrade as part of the Jimmy Clay renovation project, which will occur in several phases.

This new computerized control system will be retrofitted into the existing piping system. The old Toro hydraulic control system is 15 years old, obsolete and parts and components are no longer available. The new system will allow golf personnel to control both the Jimmy Clay and Roy Kizer Golf Courses irrigation system with the same software. The new system will also be able to utilize the Kizer weather station for accurate watering schedules, placing a high emphasis on controlling irrigation cycles and eliminating runoff in this environmentally sensitive area. Some savings will include reclaimed water that can be applied properly back on the course. This system will be installed by City personnel prior to the planting of turf grass in mid May.

MBE/WBE solicited 1/3 MBE/WBE bid 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS a Sole Bidder. Other vendors were contacted and made aware of the solicitation but did not respond due to various reasons. When queried about why they did not bid, vendors indicated they were not able to supply computerized systems. b Twelve notices were sent including one MBE and three WBEs. One bid was received with no response from MBE/WBEs. c This is the first purchase of this type by the department, therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION a Sole bidder. b The Purchasing Office concurs with the Parks and Recreation Department's recommended award. c Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and the Internet.