Thursday, April 19, 2007

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 21

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract through the TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (BUYBOARD) with FREIGHTLINER OF AUSTIN, Austin, TX, for the purchase of one knuckleboom loader dump truck in an amount not to exceed \$147,479.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Ron Mazzarella, Fleet Buyer/974-2837

Purchasing Language: Cooperative purchase.

This contract is for the purchase of one knuckleboom loader dump truck that will be assigned to the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department. This machine will support the Town Lake cleanup program by removing debris from barges and loading it into dump trucks. It will remove fallen trees, limbs, and other debris which currently accumulate in piles along the Town Lake shoreline waiting for brush trucks borrowed from other divisions. Due to its smaller size, this truck will cause minimal damage to shoreline vegetation. It will also be utilized in detention and water quality ponds to remove willow trees and debris.

Freightliner of Austin is under contract with BuyBoard to supply equipment statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the BuyBoard contract provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest delivery of the equipment.