

AGENDA



Thursday, April 5, 2007

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 19**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract with LAKESIDE EQUIPMENT CORPORATION, Bartlett, IL, for the purchase of an inlet screen assembly for the Austin Water Utility's Hornsby Bend Wastewater Treatment Plant in an amount not to exceed \$63,403.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

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

For More Information: Steve Aden, Supervising Sr. Buyer, 974-2021

Purchasing Language: Sole Source.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D 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 an inlet screen assembly to replace the existing assembly at the Hornsby Bend Wastewater Treatment Plant. The unit is used to remove all debris from the influent stream to the plant. The separation of grit from the influent protects the digesters and plant process equipment. This is critical to the operation of the facility. The cost for the project includes factory start up assistance and one year manufacturer's warranty.

The original inlet screen system was purchased over 10 years ago as a part of a plant improvement project to reduce breakdown and repairs to pumps impacted by the debris. The screen assembly has been repaired and modified over this time but parts are no longer made to support the existing equipment. As a result, the screen cartridge assembly will be replaced. The components of this equipment are custom made by the manufacturer and are not available from other sources.

Lakeside Equipment Corporation is the manufacturer and sole provider of parts and services for this equipment.