Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 61

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract through TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (BUYBOARD) with CARRIER COMMERCIAL SERVICE, Austin, TX for the purchase and installation of one 110-ton air cooled chiller and three computer room air conditioning units in an amount not to exceed \$167,633.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Financial and Administrative Services Department, Communications and Technology Management.

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

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Purchasing Language: Cooperative Purchase.

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). This contract is a Cooperative Purchase; therefore, it is exempted under the Chapter 252.022 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

This purchase is to replace equipment that creates chilled water to provide cool air throughout the Communications and Technology Management datacenter to provide a suitable environment for sensitive electronic equipment. The heating ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) units are currently 16 years old and have been experiencing issues with reliability. At the recommendation of the Building Services staff, these units are being replaced as a part of an overall upgrade of the entire HVAC system located at Waller Creek Center.

The replacement is necessary to prevent damage to critical servers and other electronic equipment by insuring proper temperature control is maintained.

Carrier is under contract with Buyboard to supply equipment and services statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the Buyborad contract provides for volume discount pricing as well as earliest delivery of the equipment.