

Thursday, August 30, 2007

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 66

Subject: Authorize execution of a 36-month requirements supply contract with ACT PIPE & SUPPLY, Pflugerville, TX, for inlet lids, manhole covers, rings, and grates in an estimated amount not to exceed \$198,289, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$66,097 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$396,580.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$5,508 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department. Funding for the remaining 35 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

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

For More Information: Cruz Banda, Buyer II/974-2133

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of four bids received.

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 will provide a reliable supply of inlet lids, covers, rings, and grates for the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department on an as needed basis by the Field Operations Division. The materials will be used for maintenance and construction activities.

Typical uses for the inlet covers and rings are as follows:

- · Replacement of lost or stolen curb inlet lids,
- Replacement of existing deteriorated manhole rings and covers,
- For new storm sewer construction, and
- For ongoing maintenance.

This supply contract will help to insure that inlet lids, covers, rings, and grates are readily available so that required repairs and maintenance can be made in a timely manner. The material will be delivered by the contractor to City's Watershed Field Operations at 6301 Harold Court, Site C.

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

PRICE ANALYSIS

a. Adequate competition.

b. Twenty-six notices were sent, including three MBEs and one WBE. Four bids were received, with no response from the MBEs/WBE.

c. The pricing offered represents an 11.5% increase to the last contract award in April 2004. This increase is attributed to the increase in the costs for steel and transportation. This vendor is not the current supplier of these products.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

a. Low bid received.

b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Watershed Protection Development and Review Department's recommended award. c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and the Internet.