

## AGENDA



Thursday, August 30, 2007

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**
**Item No. 44**

**Subject:** Approve award and execution of a 24-month requirements supply contract with HD SUPPLY WATERWORKS, Round Rock, TX, for the purchase of fire hydrant upper barrels and stems of various sizes for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$375,621, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$187,811 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$939,054.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$15,651 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining twenty-three 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:** Stephen Aden, Supervising Sr. Buyer, 974-2021.

**Purchasing Language:** Lowest bid of five 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.

**Boards and Commission Action:** Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

This contract will provide for the purchase of fire hydrant upper barrels and stems of various sizes for the Austin Water Utility. These items will be used by the Austin Water Utility's line maintenance crews and rehabilitation crews for the repair of existing fire hydrants throughout the City and within the City's water service area on an as needed basis.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Forty-five notices were sent, including one MBE. There were no WBEs available for these commodities. Five bids were received, with no response from the MBE.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Lowest bids received meeting specifications.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and the Internet.