

AGENDA



Thursday, August 30, 2007

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 43**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract with ASHBROOK SIMON-HARTLEY, Houston, TX, for the reconditioning of two gravity belt thickeners for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$107,080.

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 Senior Buyer, 974-2021.

Purchasing Language: Sole Source.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C 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 procurement.

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

This contract is for the complete rebuilding/refurbishing of two Ashbrook Aqua belt gravity thickeners for the Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant. This equipment is used to thicken the incoming sludge before it is sent to the digesters for treatment. These machines are critical to the treatment process of the sludge and have been in service for approximately 14 years. The units operate on a 24-7 basis and other than normal plant maintenance, have not been refurbished or updated. This is a turnkey job that will include using only new original equipment manufactured (OEM) parts.

Ashbrook Simon-Hartley is the manufacturer and sole provider of the parts and factory trained mechanics for the Ashbrook Aqua Belt. No other sources are available to provide this service.