Thursday, August 30, 2007

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 64

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements service contract with INTERSTATE BARRICADES & MARKING, Pearland, TX, for roadway striping for the Public Works Department for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,072,157.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$89,347 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department. Funding for the remaining 11 months of the contract period is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of two bids received.

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 solicitation.

This contract is for the placement of raised pavement marks and reflectorized pavement markings on various roadways in the City of Austin. Pavement markings will be installed on over 65 miles of arterial roadways that have been newly seal-coated and/or overlayed.

All pavement markings are specified to be of Type I, thermoplastic material. In addition, supplementary reflectors mounted on the pavement to supplement white and yellow lines will be installed. Currently, pavement markings are applied by using Type II, paint material that must be reapplied on a cycle of every nine to 12 months. The useful reflective service life of pavement markings improved to an expected useful life of four to five years through the use of thermoplastic material.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/1 MBE/WBE: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Thirty notices were sent including one WBE. There were no known MBEs available for these services. Two bids were received.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 32% increase to the last contract award in June 2006. The increase is attributed to the petroleum used in the production of this product and transportation costs.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Public Works Department's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and Internet.