

AGENDA



Thursday, August 30, 2007

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 51**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract through the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance with HAGEMeyer NORTH AMERICA, INC., Coppell, TX, for the purchase of gas masks and cartridges in an amount not to exceed \$49,990.60

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$49,990.60 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Emergency Medical Services Department and will be reimbursed with a Fiscal Year 2006 U.S. Department of Homeland Security grant.

Fiscal Note: Cooperative Purchase.

For More Information: Sydney Ceder, Sr. Buyer, 974-2035

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 Chapter 252.022 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract is for the purchase of 220 various sizes of CBRN (Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear) gas masks and canisters for the Emergency Medical Services Department (EMS). These masks are designed for use in domestic preparedness operations. They offer protection against biological and chemical warfare agents and tear gas. The canisters contain chemical sorbents and a filter is included to attract, retain, and neutralize contaminants.

These masks will be purchased with funds from EMS's operating budget and reimbursed through a grant funded by the Homeland Security.

This cooperative purchasing program was established as a national structure for local government agencies to make use of their collective purchasing power and is authorized under the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code.