Thursday, October 11, 2007

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 52

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements service contract with EMANCIPET, INC., Austin TX, for mobile spay/neuter services for low-income residents of Austin in an estimated amount not to exceed \$744,750, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$299,475 for the first extension option, \$329,423 for the second extension option, and \$362,365 for the third extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,736,013.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$225,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget of the Health and Human Services Department. Funding for the remaining twenty four 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: Wilbur Jones, Buyer I, 972-4013

Purchasing Language: Sole bid 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 agreement will provide free spaying/neutering and other veterinary services for dogs and cats of qualified pet owners in East Austin. These services are available to citizens whose address is east of IH-35 and in Travis County.

Approximately 4,750 spay/neuters will be performed annually by a mobile veterinary clinic visiting local neighborhood centers, churches, and libraries to help reduce the number of unwanted pets. This agreement will also provide rabies and parvo vaccinations, microchipping, and processing services for City of Austin pet registration.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 0/0 MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole bidder. Other potential bidders contacted are not currently able to provide the mobile services at this time.
- b. Seven notices were sent. There are no known MBE/WBEs available for these services.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 10% increase to the last contract award made in August 2004.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Sole bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Health and Human Services Department's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.