

## AGENDA



Thursday, November 1, 2007

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 30**

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**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a 22-month requirements service contract with UNITED RENTALS HIGHWAY TECHNOLOGIES, L.P., Austin, TX, as the alternate contractor for the rental of temporary traffic control devices and roadway pavement marking services in an estimated amount not to exceed \$898,334, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$490,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$2,368,334.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budgets for Austin Water Utility \$197,098; Public Works \$73,326; Watershed Protection Development Review Department \$91,663; Austin Energy \$55,000, Parks and Recreation Department \$32,076. Funding for the remaining 11 months of the original contract term 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:** Steve Aden, Supervising Sr. Buyer, 974-2021.

**Purchasing Language:** Lowest eligible 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.

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

**Prior Council Action:** 08/23/07, Approved a 24-month requirements service contract to N-Line Traffic Maintenance, Austin, TX as the primary provider of these services.

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On August 23, 2007, Council approved a 24-month requirements service contract with three 12-month extension options to N-Line Traffic Maintenance, Austin, TX to provide temporary traffic control devices. N-Line is the primary provider of these services and will always be the first contact for these services on an as needed basis.

This contract is with an alternate source for the delivery, placement, maintenance, and replacement of temporary traffic control devices, as a backup contract in the event the primary provider is unable to provide the services as required.

Temporary traffic control devices include barricades, traffic cones, yellow and white pavement markings, and cyclone or plastic fencing. Services include the installation of temporary roadway striping and restoration of permanent roadway striping and raised pavement markings.

These services are needed when City crews are required to work in the road or near high traffic areas and temporary modifications are necessary to divert traffic around the work sites. The contractor will be required to respond in both routine and emergency situations where traffic control is required.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

#### PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Six notices were issued. There are no MBEs/WBEs available for these services. Two bids were received.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 22% increase from the primary contract award in August 2007.

#### APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest eligible bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility, Public Works, Parks and Recreation Department, Austin Energy, and Watershed Protection Development and Review Departments' recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and Internet.