

AGENDA



Thursday, November 8, 2007

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 60**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract through the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance with FURNITURE MARKETING GROUP, INC., Austin, TX, for the purchase and installation of modular and office furniture for the Public Works Department in a total amount not to exceed \$62,702.68.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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

Purchasing Language: Cooperative Purchase.

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 791 of the Texas Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract will enable Public Works to create office space for Public Works Program Management Division staff in the newly leased space at 105 Riverside Drive. This is a new division within the Public Works Department that is made up of 11 employees that are currently housed in temporary office space made available by other divisions within Public Works at One Texas Center. The temporary office space is depleting due to the filling of vacant positions. Delivery for this furniture will be approximately six weeks after receipt of the order.

The U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance was established as a national structure for government agencies to make use of their collective purchasing power, and this purchase is authorized under the provision of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code.