

AGENDA



Thursday, January 10, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 38**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements supply contract with HD SUPPLY WATERWORKS, Round Rock, TX, for clamps and couplings in an estimated amount not to exceed \$107,163, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$53,582 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$214,326.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$40,187 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 15 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: Steve 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 2-9d 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.

This contract will provide the Austin Water Utility a readily available supply of clamps and couplings of various sizes. The items will be ordered on an as needed basis and stored at the Utility's Webberville Storeroom. The hardware will be used by the maintenance crews for repairs of existing water lines.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/4

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Eighteen notices were sent, including four WBE firms. There are no known MBEs available for these commodities. Two bids were received, with no response from the WBEs.
- c. The current pricing represents a 26% increase to the last contract award in December 2004. This increase can be attributed to the increased cost in metal products and transportation.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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