

AGENDA



Thursday, March 6, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 26**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract with SMITH PUMP COMPANY, INC., Austin, TX, for the purchase of a package wastewater treatment plant clarifier and personnel bridge for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$112,700.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

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 is for the purchase of a clarifier and personnel bridge to replace the existing components of a waste water treatment facility at the Thoroughbred Farms Development that was purchased in 1972. The existing clarifier has become rusted and is no longer repairable. This damage was done prior to the Austin Water Utility taking ownership of the facility.

Utility crews have made other repairs to this system, but these components have deteriorated beyond economical repair and are in need of replacement.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Thirteen notices were sent. There are no known MBE/WBEs available for these commodities. Two bids were received.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

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.