

## AGENDA



Thursday, April 24, 2008

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 52**

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**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a contract through the TEXAS MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE (TXMAS) with AMERICAN MATERIAL HANDLING, INC., Lilburn, GA, for the purchase of four 8,000 pound capacity forklifts in an amount not to exceed \$206,782.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$110,154 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Solid Waste Services Department. Funding in the amount of \$55,077 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding in the amount of \$41,551 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:** Ron Mazzarella, Fleet Buyer/974-2837

**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.

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

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This contract is for the purchase of one new and three replacement, 8,000 pound capacity forklifts manufactured by Toyota. One dual fuel (gasoline/LPG) forklift will be assigned to the Transportation Division of the Public Works Department, two electric-powered forklifts will be assigned to the Solid Waste Services Department, and one electric-powered forklift will be assigned to the Austin Water Utility.

All forklifts being replaced have met the replacement criteria established by the Fleet Officer. The Fleet Service Center Managers have inspected each vehicle to be replaced and determined that the mileage or hours of use of the equipment proposed for replacement cannot be increased without risking a significant increase in repair costs and loss of productivity due to down time. The new forklift was also sent to Fleet Services and forwarded to the appropriate ACM for approval. It will be used at the Solid Waste Services Department Material Recovery Facility to move and stack bales of plastic, aluminum, tin, and paper. When these bales are sold, this forklift will load them onto the buyers' transport trailers.

American Material Handling is under contract with TXMAS to provide this equipment to other public entities state-wide. This cooperative purchasing program is coordinated by the State of Texas, Comptroller of Public Accounts and allows the City to use TXMAS contracts that have been developed from contracts that were competitively bid and awarded by the General Services Administration's Federal Supply Service.