

## AGENDA



Thursday, July 24, 2008

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Item No. 60

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements supply contract with ALPHA READY MIX, LLC, Austin, TX, for ready mix concrete for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$153,258, with three 12-month extension options in estimated amounts not to exceed \$95,786 for the first extension option, \$105,365 for the second extension option, and \$115,900 for the third extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$470,309.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$12,772 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 22 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 is for the purchase of ready-mix concrete for the Austin Water Utility (AWU). Ready mix is crucial to supporting the Austin Water Utility's work in the distribution and collection systems. The Austin Water Utility uses ready mix concrete delivered to various sites for projects such as the thrust blocking of water line fittings, manhole foundations, and backfill on protected streets.

Under this contract, the contractor will provide the following types of ready-mix concrete: Class A, Type J, Controlled Low Strength Material (CLSM) Normal Set, Fast Set, and High Early Strength concrete. This contract allows AWU to use a quality controlled concrete, meet construction standards, and to respond to street cut requirements in a timely manner.

Alpha Ready Mix is in compliance with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality site requirements.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Seven notices were sent, including three MBEs. There are no known WBEs available for these commodities. Two bids were received.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 10% decrease from the last contract award in April 2006.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Lowest bid received. Alpha Ready Mix is not the current provider.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.