Thursday, August 7, 2008

## Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 31

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of two 24-month requirements supply contracts for the purchase of ductile iron fittings and pipe joint restraints of various sizes for the Austin Water Utility with: ACT PIPE & SUPPLY, Pflugerville, TX, in an estimated amount not to exceed \$326,457, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$204,036 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$734,529, and with TECHLINE PIPE LP, Austin, TX, in an estimated amount not to exceed \$293,274, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$183,296 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$659,866.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$25,292 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 23 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 two bids of three 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.

These contracts will provide the Austin Water Utility (AWU) a readily available supply of ductile iron fittings and pipe joint restraint devices. The items will be ordered on an as needed basis and stored at AWU's Webberville Storeroom and Glen Bell Service Center.

The ductile iron fittings will be used by maintenance crews for repairs of existing water lines on an as needed basis. The pipe joint restraint devices are used to hold the fittings in place. The fittings and restraints are also used for installation of hydrants and by construction crews for new water lines.

MBE/WBE solicited: 6/3 MBE/WBE bid: 1/0

**BID TABULATION** 

IFB No. STA0151

Ductile Iron Fittings and Pipe Joint Restraints of Various Sizes (104 - line items)

**Total Award** 

Vendor Line Items Bid Total Bid Line Items Awarded

ACT Pipe & Supply 98 of 104 \$303,816.34 \$154,693.00

Pflugerville, TX (83 line items)

HD Supply 102 of 104 \$323,982.75 0

Royse City, TX

Techline Pipe, LP 104 of 104 \$329,247.98 \$148,802.00

Austin, TX (21 line items)

Municipal Water Works 104 of 104 \$372,643.91 0

Royce City, TX (MBE/MO)

NOTE: The award amounts are based on twelve month estimates. Award was based on the lowest price per line item. A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FASD Purchasing Office website.

## PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. One hundred forty-seven notices were sent, including six MBEs and three WBEs. Four bids were received, including one MBE. One "No Bid" was received.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 24% increase to the last purchase made in June 2006. This can be attributed to the rising cost for metal products and fuel costs.

## APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bids received. Act Pipe is the current supplier of these products.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and Internet.