

AGENDA



Thursday, August 21, 2008

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

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract through the TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (BUYBOARD) with WORTHINGTON CONTRACT FURNITURE, LP, Austin, TX, for furniture, fixtures and equipment for the North Village Branch Library for the Public Works Department in an amount not to exceed \$76,571.49.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Library Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Roy Rivers, Buyer II/512-974-6434

Purchasing Language:

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 Contract; therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code. No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This purchase is for furniture, fixtures and equipment needed to finish out the North Village Branch Library in time for its projected grand opening on January 24, 2009.

Provided with voter approved funding in the 1998 G.O. Bond Election, the North Village Branch Library Replacement Project is constructing a 10,738 square foot facility at 2505 Steck Avenue to take the place of the existing 5,000 square foot lease space library at 2139 W. Anderson Lane. The new North Village Branch Library will better serve the community by means of its Teen Center, Children's Area, quiet reading spaces for adults, a generous complement of public access computers, a large meeting room, outdoor seating areas, and many other amenities.

Worthington Contract Furniture, LP is under contract with BuyBoard to supply vehicles statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the BuyBoard contract provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest delivery of the equipment.