

A G E N D A



Thursday, August 28, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**
Item No. 41

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract with JAE CONSTRUCTION, INC., Austin, TX for the purchase of sandy loam and topsoil for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$65,580, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$75,417 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$291,831.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$5,465 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 11 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: Sole bid 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 to provide for the delivery of topsoil and sandy loam to various job sites within the City of Austin, for the Austin Water Utility's (AWU), Field Operations Division on an as needed basis.

The sandy loam and topsoil will be used by the Rehabilitation Construction Services and Pipeline Operations Divisions. These materials will be used as the final layer of soil at work sites that require excavation to repair AWU's water distribution or collection systems. AWU has a goal to leave residential and commercial worksites in similar conditions as they were prior to excavation. This topsoil is needed to re-establish the turf grass to its original condition.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/1

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole bid. The last solicitation for this material resulted in the receipt of two bids, including JAE Construction and Marcelo's Sand & Loam who is subcontracting with the prime contractor.
- b. Eighteen notices were sent, including three MBEs and one WBE. One bid was received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 10% increase to the last contract award in May 2006.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Sole bid received. JAE Construction, Inc. is the current provider for these products and services.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and the Internet.