Thursday, August 28, 2008

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 44

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract through the TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (BUYBOARD) with KEY ENTERPRISES, Round Rock, TX for the purchase of portable bleachers with folding chairs for the Austin Convention Center in an amount not to exceed \$238,608.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007–2008 Operating Budget of the Austin Convention Center.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority Owned and Woman 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.

This contract is for the purchase of six portable bleachers which include folding plastic chairs, six pair of heavy duty hydraulic lift carts and two portable electric tractors. The existing risers are in need of replacement. These new bleachers are equipped with a tow feature and prepositioned chairs that will significantly reduce labor in set up.

Key Enterprises is under contract with BuyBoard to supply these items statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the BuyBoard contract provides for volume discount pricing.