

AGENDA



Thursday, August 28, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 46**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract through the TEXAS MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE (TXMAS), SIEMENS BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES, INC., Austin, TX, for the purchase and installation of the Siemens WINPM system software upgrade of the electronic metering system for the Austin Convention Center Department in an amount not to exceed \$199,582.

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

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is required.

For More Information: Michael L. Simms, Sr., Buyer II/512-974-9140

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C 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, installation and upgrade of the existing Siemens WINPM electronic metering system software that will provide enhanced metering capabilities to the Convention Center's electrical system.

This upgrade is needed for the following reasons:

- Enhanced metering is a requirement for LEED EB credit 5.1 and 5.2.
- Will enable the Convention Center to accurately account for the power used by our events.
- Allow the Convention Center to assist our events in calculating their Carbon Footprint.

Siemens Building Technologies, Inc. is under contract through TXMAS to provide these products and services to other public entities state-wide. This cooperative purchasing program is coordinated by the State of Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, and allows the City to use TXMAS contracts that have been developed from contracts that were competitively bid and awarded by the General Services Administration's Federal Supply Service.