

AGENDA



Thursday, August 28, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 47**

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month requirements service contract with COMPASSCOM, INC., Centennial, CO, for the purchase of software and services for an upgrade to the City's Auto Vehicle Locator (AVL) in an estimated amount not to exceed \$200,000, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$100,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$600,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$200,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Financial and Administrative Services Department, Communications and Technology Management, Wireless Division. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Sole Source.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C 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.

This contract is for an upgrade to the City's Auto Vehicle Locator (AVL) software and includes software, licenses, installation, testing, training, and continued maintenance and support. The contract will also cover the purchase of additional licenses in the future.

This Enterprise AVL software solution, originally purchased in September 2005, tracks the location of fleet assets across the City. Many City of Austin departments maintain and operate vehicles and other fleet assets (i.e. trailers, heavy equipment, etc.) to provide a variety of City services. This system supports an on-going vehicle locator program which is capable of tracking the physical location of fleet assets. The system retrieves and displays real-time vehicle locations and historical vehicle locations. The system also provides the ability to track multiple fleets independently of one another. This software will improve efficiency by allowing departments to identify where their vehicles are and what they are doing at any point in time.

Enhancements provided by this software upgrade include:

- Addition of data messaging
- Improved replay of historical information
- Data base connectivity and support
- Numerous bug fixes and optimizations

The following departments have successfully used the existing CompassCom server software: Public Works (Signs and Markings), Health and Human Services (Animal Control), Financial and Administrative Services (Fleet Services), and the Library.

Solid Waste Services and the Austin Water Utility will be participating in this program. Aviation and Austin Energy have expressed interest in implementing this AVL solution as well.

CompassCom is the developer and sole provider of this software.