

AGENDA



Thursday, August 28, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Item No. 61

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements supply contract with VULCAN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS LP, San Antonio, Texas, for stormwater pipe bedding materials for the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department in an estimated amount not to exceed \$326,463, with three 12-month extension options in estimated amounts not to exceed \$150,435 for the first extension option, \$173,000 for the second extension option, and \$198,950 for the third extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$848,848.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$9,069 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget of the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department. Funding for the remaining 35 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: Roy Rivers, Buyer II, 974-6434

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of three bids 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.

This contract will provide for the supply of crushed dolomite limestone to be used as stormwater pipe bedding material for the Watershed Protection & Development Review Department on an as needed basis for use in storm drain rehabilitation projects.

Water is prevalent in the excavations required to install stormwater pipe. The presence of water does not allow sand to be used because of its instability and a heavier material is required so the bedding remains in place. This type bedding material provides maximum contact with the pipe to provide a solid base. It can be easily placed and graded and reduces the amount of time and labor to complete pipe installations.

MBE/WBE solicited: 5/2

MBE/WBE bid: 1/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Eighteen notices were sent, including five MBEs and two WBEs. Three bids were received, including one MBE.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 13% increase from the last contract award in December 2006. This increase can be attributed to the rise in fuel costs.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received. Vulcan Construction Material, LP is the current supplier of this product.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department's recommended award.

c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.