

AGENDA



Thursday, August 28, 2008

Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 29

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month requirements service contract with CIBER INCORPORATED, Austin, TX, for the purchase of application development and hosting of a business analysis program in an estimated amount not to exceed \$477,868, with four 12-month extension options for maintenance and support in an estimated amount not to exceed \$149,868 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not exceed \$1,077,340.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$477,868 is available in the fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget for Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 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: Art Acuña, Senior Buyer, 322-6307.

Purchasing Language: Sole proposal received.

MBE/WBE: This purchase 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 the purchase of application development, hosting, and annual maintenance and support of a tool that will assist utilities, policy makers, and businesses in prioritizing energy projects cost effectively with the goal of reducing carbon.

Included in this project will be the development and implementation of complex algorithms, Carbon Return on Investment Matrix, an informational website, and administration functionality that will allow the content and data variables to be updated or adjusted by the business user as needed. The result will be the creation of a public, transparent and updatable web-based tool with information and calculations needed to assess the value of energy projects based on their ability to reduce or remove carbon quickly and cost effectively on a case-by-case basis.

The Clean Energy Project Exchange Application will be public and accessible to any utility or company to help them in their energy project decision-making processes. The intent is to answer the question: What energy projects will provide the largest reduction in CO2 emissions in the shortest time at the least cost?

MBE/WBE solicited: 6/10

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

a. Sole proposer. This is a new technology initiative so limited vendor response was expected. Other potential proposers were contacted who stated that they were either unable to provide these services or were not interested in proposing.

b. One hundred sixty-eight notices were sent, including six MBEs and 10 WBEs. One proposal was received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.

c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

a. Sole proposal received.

b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.

c. Advertised on the Internet.