

AGENDA



Thursday, September 25, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 53**

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of an 18-month requirements supply and service contract with CUES, INC., Orlando, FL, for the purchase and installation of closed circuit television software and software maintenance and support in an estimated amount not to exceed \$319,031, with three 12-month extension options in estimated amounts not to exceed \$272,972 for the first extension option, \$26,600 for the second extension option, and \$26,600 for the third extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$645,203.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Mick Osborne, Specialist Sr. Buyer /974 2995

Purchasing Language: Best evaluated proposal of four proposals 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.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

This contract is for the purchase of software and hardware used for closed circuit television inspection of wastewater pipelines. The purchase will replace obsolete systems currently used on nine inspection trucks. In addition, it includes three portable systems that can be taken off-road into easements and other inaccessible areas. The first extension option includes the future purchase of six additional licenses for portable systems which will provide emergency response crews the ability to inspect sewer service lines during wastewater trouble calls, as well as the purchase of ESRI modules for the 18 licenses which will provide integration with the utility's Geographic Information System (GIS).

The software will allow for digital recordings of video inspections that will be stored and managed by a network server that can be accessed via a shared directory. The software allows for standardized observations of pipe conditions and provides numerical scoring that will be used to prioritize the wastewater rehabilitation program and document the condition of pipe as it changes over time.

An evaluation panel consisting of operations and information technology personnel from the Austin Water Utility evaluated the proposals based on the proposer's understanding of the project scope, their proposed solution, technical and functional viability, past project experience and references, and total evaluated cost.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PROPOSAL ANALYSIS- RFP NO. MG10006

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Twenty-two notices were sent. There are no known MBE/WBEs for these commodities and services. Four proposals were received.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best evaluated proposal received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet.