

AGENDA



Thursday, September 25, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 60**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements service contract through the State of Texas Multiple Award Schedule (TXMAS) with SIMPLEX GRINNELL, Austin, TX for inspection, testing, maintenance, and repair services of building security and access control systems for the Austin Convention Center in an estimated amount not to exceed \$178,075, with one 12-month extension option in an estimated amount not to exceed \$178,075, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$356,150.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$178,075 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Austin Convention Center Department. Funding for the extension option 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: Sydney Ceder, Senior Buyer/974-2035

Purchasing Language: Cooperative Purchase.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority Owned and WomenOwned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). This contract is a Cooperative Purchase; therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 791 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract will provide for full maintenance service coverage, including all parts and labor for maintaining the building security and control access systems for the Austin Convention Center and two parking garages. Simplex Grinnell will maintain these systems in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications to ensure the systems are in safe and proper operating condition.

The maintenance includes testing and routine maintenance and repair services of the building security and control access systems. The vendor shall perform scheduled monthly, quarterly, and annual inspections and testing. The vendor will also be required to respond to emergency and all back requests to repair any malfunctions in the systems at no additional cost.

Simplex Grinnell is under contract through TXMAS to provide these 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.