

AGENDA



Thursday, October 16, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 25**

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 60-month requirements service contract with TAC, Carrollton, TX, for an enterprise security access system in an estimated amount not to exceed \$5,746,468.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$400,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Financial and Administrative Services Department, Communications and Technology Management. Funding in the amount of \$354,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Austin Convention Center and \$215,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Austin Convention Center. Funding in the amount of \$1,799,734 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding in the amount of \$300,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Austin Public Library. Funding in the amount of \$71,381 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Financial and Administrative Services Department, Communications and Technology Management. Funding for the remaining 48 months of the original contract period is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: Fiscal notes are attached.

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

Purchasing Language: Best evaluated proposal of two proposals received.

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) through the achievements of good faith efforts with 3.40% MBE and 20.17% WBE subcontractor participation.

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

This contract is for the purchase of security access systems on an enterprise-wide level and will include maintenance and support for those systems. This contract will also establish pricing for future security system purchases for other City facilities as funding can be allocated.

The overall goal is to replace end of life disparate access control, video surveillance, and alarm systems with an integrated enterprise level system. Some systems have been in place since the 1980's and others have issues that are no longer serviceable. A master agreement will be established with TAC for future purchases of access control, video surveillance, and alarm system hardware and software for City locations. TAC will provide the software, configuration, installation, maintenance, and support for the systems.

The first phase of the project will involve security enhancements for several Austin Water Utility facilities. Since 9-11, the Austin Water Utility has enhanced the security at its facilities. The security access system to be provided by TAC under this contract has been developed with input from U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and is currently in use at several utilities across the nation. The initial phase of this contract will also be utilized to supply the security hardware for the:

- Austin Public Library
- Austin Convention Center
- Austin Water Utility treatment plants
- CTECC
- New Communications and Technology Management offices on Riverside Drive

Implementation at the Central and branch libraries will address citizen and workforce security issues.

Future phases of this project will include public safety facilities and the new Municipal Court building.

The selected vendor's proposed solution provides a robust enterprise security and access control system for the City. The system will provide a single point of termination for access to facilities (in case an access card is lost or stolen). It will reduce maintenance and repair costs as obsolete systems are replaced with newer, more durable equipment.

Security and access control will be enhanced through the deployment of newer and better technologies. The selected vendor has an aggressive R&D program, but is also committed to "backward" compatibility of emerging technology and equipment. This will reduce the cost of integrating additional facilities in the future. The proposed contract establishes a five year pricing agreement, which is 2% below the pricing offered through TAC's existing contract through a cooperative purchasing program known as The Cooperative Purchasing Network.

An evaluation panel consisting of personnel from the Austin Water Utility and the Communications and Technology Management Department evaluated the proposals based on the proposer's compliance with the functional and technical requirements, project management approach, qualifications and experience of project management staff, total evaluated cost, and company experience.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/4 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PROPOSAL ANALYSIS- RFP NO. MSO0015

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. One hundred twenty-six notices were sent, including three MBEs and four WBEs. Two proposals were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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