

AGENDA



Thursday, November 6, 2008

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**
Item No. 38

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements supply contract with MILLER UNIFORMS & EMBLEMS INC., Austin, TX for the purchase of safety jackets in an estimated amount not to exceed \$457,947, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$152,649 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$915,894.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$94,050 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget for Austin Police Department. Funding in the amount of \$45,881 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget for Emergency Medical Services Department. Funding for the remaining 25 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: Cruz Banda, Buyer II/974-2133

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of two 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 is for the supply of waterproof, hip-length jackets with a removable insulated liner for the Emergency Medical Services Department (EMS) and the Austin Police Department (APD). These jackets are a necessary element of the EMS and APD uniforms during the cold winter months for performance of their official duties.

These jackets are equipped with a Crosstech membrane that prevents penetration of blood-borne pathogens. Also, each jacket will include highly reflective material for high visibility while worn at night. These jackets will be purchased in place of two other types of jackets, the bomber-style heavy winter jacket and windbreakers.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/3

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Four hundred twenty-seven notices were sent, including three MBEs and three WBEs. Two bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. This the first contract for these types of jackets; therefore there is no prior history for cost comparison.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with FASD, Materials Management Division's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.