

AGENDA



Thursday, December 11, 2008

Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 46

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract with BPI ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC., Lakeway, TX, for the purchase and installation of fencing within the Water Quality Protection Lands of the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$66,445.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Wildland Conservation Fund of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Steve Aden, Supervising Sr. Buyer/974-2021

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of three bids 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). 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 and installation of approximately 11,650 linear feet of fencing at four sites within the J-17 Tract of the Austin Water Utility's (AWU), Water Quality Protection Lands, Upper Bear Creek Management Unit for security and protection of this area that is required in the Regional Section 10(a) permit for the preserves. Work will include the removal and disposal of existing dilapidated fencing within these sites and the installation of new barbed wire fencing, gates, and tree bracing where needed.

MBE/WBE solicited: 28/13 MBE/WBE bid: 0/1

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Ninety notices were sent, including 28 MBEs and 13 WBEs. Three bids were received, with a response from one WBE.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 26% decrease from the last similar purchase made in June 2008. This decrease can be attributed to the fact that the previous contract was performed in considerably rougher terrain.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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