Thursday, December 11, 2008

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 48

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements supply contract with RTI HOT MIX, LTD, Pflugerville, TX for the purchase of hot mix–cold laid asphaltic concrete in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,098,500, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$686,563 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$3,158,189.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$411,938 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008–2009 Operating Budge of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 15 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: Steve Aden, Supervising Sr. Buyer/974-2021.

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of four 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.

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

This contract is for the supply of hot mix-cold laid asphaltic concrete (cold-mix) for the Austin Water Utility. This product is used by the department for temporary patching of excavated trenches, spot repairs, and other temporary pavement repairs on the streets of Austin. Deliveries will be made to work sites on an as needed basis by the contractor, and the department will also pick up the product from the contractor's facilities.

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

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Twenty-six notices were issued, including one WBE. There are no known MBEs available for this commodity. Four bids were received, including one WBE.
- c. The price offered represents an 18.5% increase to the last contract award in December 2006. This increase can be attributed to the rise in production costs for petroleum based products.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received. RTI Hot Mix is not the current provider of this product.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.