

Thursday, January 15, 2009

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 43

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements service contract with TEXAS INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND AND HANDICAPPED (TIBH), Austin, TX for custodial services in an estimated amount not to exceed \$219,942, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$73,314 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$439,884.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$48,876 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department. Funding for the remaining 28 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.

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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). This contract is a Cooperative Purchase; therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 252.022 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract will provide custodial services for four Austin Fire Department locations: Fire Investigations (1621 Nash Hernandez); Wellness and Safety (517 S. Pleasant Valley Rd.); Fire Operations Annex (401 E. 5th Street); and Fire Educational Services (4800B Shaw Lane). The buildings currently total 42,480 square feet. Custodial services will be performed five days per week at each location except the Fire Operations Annex which will be cleaned twice a week.

There are six levels of service for this custodial contract which include: daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, semiannually, and annual tasks. The vendor will provide all equipment, labor, and supplies that are necessary to maintain a clean and sanitary environment at all of the Fire Department locations.

TIBH is certified by the State Legislature to provide products and services to the State and its political subdivisions in compliance with Chapter 122, Title 8, Human Resources Code. Fair market prices are established by the Texas Committee on Purchases of Products and Services of Blind and Severely Disabled Persons.