

## AGENDA



Thursday, January 15, 2009

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 47**

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**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a contract through the TEXAS LOCAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM (BUYBOARD) with GT DISTRIBUTORS, INC., Austin, TX, for the purchase of tactical equipment for the Austin Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$107,998.99.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Special Revenue Fund of the Management Services Department, Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management through the 2007 State Homeland Security Program funded by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Grant Program.

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

**For More Information:** Sydney Ceder, Sr. Buyer, 974 2035

**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). This contract is a Cooperative Purchase; therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 791 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

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This contract will provide for the purchase of tactical equipment to be issued to personnel of the Austin Police Department SWAT Unit. The equipment includes items such as body armor, helmets, and ballistic barrier blankets manufactured by Protech. The equipment is personal protection equipment to be worn or used by members of the unit in the prevention of, or in response to terrorist attacks and/or other disasters in Austin and the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) Region. Participating CAPCOG agencies in Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis, and Williamson Counties have selected and approved this specific equipment and all agencies have purchased this same quality of equipment for uniformity and compatibility.