

AGENDA



Thursday, April 23, 2009

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**
Item No. 36

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract with OXFORD AIRPORT TECHNICAL SERVICES, Elmont, NY for ball screw inspection, parts, and replacement services in an amount not to exceed \$307,233.60.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Aviation Department.

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

For More Information: Brenda Helgren, Sr. Buyer/530-7533.

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of three bids received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C if 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 Austin Airport Advisory Commission

The City of Austin, Aviation Department provides all the passenger loading bridges at Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (ABIA) and airlines pay a monthly use fee. ABIA has a total of 24 passenger loading bridges that are all equipped with an apron drive, retractable and extendable tunnel design, with two vertical ball screw lift columns that provide a direct lifting system. This loading bridge design is capable of enplaning and deplaning passengers from a range of aircraft, from small regional jets to large aircraft.

The boarding bridge manufacturer requires a mandatory 10-year ball screw inspection and the required replacement of any ball screw having excessive wear or damage. The ball screw inspection, parts, and replacement services will assure proper operation of all boarding bridges at ABIA.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Thirteen notices were sent, including one MBE. There are no known WBEs available for this service. Three bids were received, with no response from the MBE.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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