

AGENDA



Thursday, June 18, 2009

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 33**

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract with TEXAS DIGITAL SYSTEM, INC., College Station, TX, for the purchase of an information delivery system including LCD monitors, software, annual maintenance and support, and implementation in an estimated amount not to exceed \$170,721, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$14,670 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not exceed \$229,401.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$156,051 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding in the amount of \$14,670 is available in the 2008-2009 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Art Acuña, Senior Buyer, 322-6307

Purchasing Language: Sole proposal 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) by meeting the goals with 4.80% MBE and 16.40% WBE subcontractor participation.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by Electric Utility Commission.

This contract is for the purchase of Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) monitors, software, annual maintenance and support, and implementation.

This system acquisition will allow the Austin 3-1-1 Center and the City of Austin Utilities contact center to communicate critical data and information, such as outages, weather alerts, or any other announcements that need to be broadcasted to management and staff during normal and emergency response situations.

This acquisition and implementation was scheduled as part of the original implementation of the new telephone system for the Austin 3-1-1 Center and City Utilities contact center, but was delayed due to cost containments in the original budget funding for the project.

Evaluation of the proposal included representatives from City of Austin Utilities contact centers, Communications and Technology Management, and Austin Energy information technology personnel. The evaluation panel recommends award to the sole respondent to the RFP who provided sufficient information and supporting documentation to substantiate the use of its products and services required for operational and emergency response usage in the contact centers. The proposal was evaluated based on systems concept and solutions, proposed delivery of solutions within expected timeframe, applicable experience, cost, and ability to function within the City's standard terms and conditions.

This contract will allow the contact centers to efficiently and effectively provide critical data and information to the staff and management responsible for supporting citizen and customer requests.

MBE/WBE solicited: 2/5

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

MBE/WBE SUBCONTRACTOR PARTICIPATION SUMMARY

MBE	\$	3.50%
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Black
Hispanic
Asian
Native American

WBE	\$	6.20%
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NON MBE/WBE	\$	0%
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PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole proposal. The other proposal was received past the posted closing date and time; therefore could not be considered for award.
- b. Thirty-two notices were sent; including two MBEs and five WBEs. One proposal was received with no response from the MBE/WBEs.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Sole proposal received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.