

AGENDA



Thursday, June 18, 2009

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 28**

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month contract with MOTOROLA COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS, INC., Austin, TX, for the maintenance and support of the Austin/Travis County Trunked Regional Radio System communication infrastructure in an amount not to exceed \$2,228,775, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$2,295,638 for the first extension option, \$2,364,507 for the second extension option, \$2,435,443 for the third extension option, and \$2,508,506 for the fourth extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$11,832,869.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$371,463 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Financial and Administrative Services Department, Wireless Communications Services Division. Funding for the remaining 10 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: Mick Osborne, Specialist Sr. Buyer 974-2995

Purchasing Language: Sole Source.

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). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract is for the continued maintenance, repair, and support of the Trunked Regional Radio System communication infrastructure purchased from Motorola as the result of City Council approval on November 30, 2000. The system includes voice radio and support equipment located at radio towers in and around Austin and other locations. The system supports the use of voice radio by the City and its coalition partners; Travis County, Austin Independent School District, Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority, The University of Texas at Austin, and the Texas Legislative Council/Texas House of Representatives. There are interlocal agreements in place allowing for the allocation of costs between the City (approximately 56%) and the coalition partners (approximately 44%). The coalition partners reimburse the City for their portions of the services.

Many of the components of the Regional Radio System infrastructure are proprietary to Motorola. Enhanced features of the system are specific to Motorola and are compatible only with the Motorola product. Motorola is the sole supplier for products, infrastructure, subscriber units, and service for radio communications equipment that is fully integrated and compatible with this system. Motorola's certified technicians ensure that the equipment and software is maintained and updated to factory specifications.