Thursday, July 23, 2009

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 76

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements contract with ACT PIPE & SUPPLY, Pflugerville, TX, for various types and sizes of Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) wastewater line fittings for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$274,690, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$157,947 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$590,584.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$22,891 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008–2009 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 22 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: Steve Aden, Purchasing Manager, 974-2021.

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of three bids 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). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by Water and Wastewater Commission.

This contract will provide the Austin Water Utility (AWU) a reliable source of supply for PVC wastewater fittings of various types and sizes. The fittings will be purchased on an as needed basis and stored in AWU's Webberville Storeroom and the Glen Bell Service Center. The fittings will be used by the pipeline maintenance crews, TV inspection crews, valve and hydrant crews, and treatment plant personnel for the installation and repair of PVC wastewater lines.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/0 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Eighteen notices were sent, including one MBE. There are no known WBEs available for this commodity. Three bids were received, with no response from the MBE. Two "No Bid"s were received.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 13% increase to the previous contract award July 2006. This can be attributed to the rising cost of the raw materials used in manufacturing this product.APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION
- a. Lowest bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.