Thursday, August 20, 2009

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 25

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a requirements service contract with ASHBROOK SIMON-HARTLEY OPERATIONS, LP, Houston, TX for the repair of two belt presses for the Austin Water Utility in a total estimated amount not to exceed \$495,903.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008–2009 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

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 two received.

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.

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

This contract is for the transportation, refurbishment, and reinstallation of two Enviroquip Series 4 Model 220 Belt Presses located at the Austin Water Utility's Hornsby Bend Wastewater Treatment facility. The belt press units are used to dewater digested sludge through a pressing process to obtain a minimum 18% solid cake.

This refurbishment is to restore the units to a like new condition to meet original equipment manufacture (OEM) standards through cleaning and refurbishment of parts. The contract includes unit pricing for parts that may be purchased if the contractor is unable to refurbish the parts. Units will be refurbished at the contractor's facility separately so that one unit is on hand at Hornsby Bend and operational at all times. Once the repairs, inspection, and installment are completed on the first unit, the remaining unit will be transported by the contractor for repairs. This work is anticipated to require two years to complete the refurbishment of both belt presses. The cost to replace these units with new complete belt presses is estimated at \$712,175 each.MBE/WBE solicited: 0/1

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Fifty-four notices were issued, including one WBE. There are no known MBEs available for this service. Two bids were received, with no response from the WBE. Two "No Bids" were received.
- c. This is the first contract of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

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.