

## AGENDA



Thursday, August 20, 2009

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**
**Item No. 27**

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements supply contract with FJ TURNER COMPANY, Raleigh, NC, for manhole extension rings in an estimated amount not to exceed \$227,500, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$113,750 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$455,000.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$9,479 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 23 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:** Brenda Helgren, Sr. Buyer /974 9141

**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 the Water and Wastewater Commission.

This contract is for the supply of extension rings for manholes and water valve castings for the Austin Water Utility (AWU) and will be purchased on an as needed basis. The extension rings are for adjusting manhole and water valve casting covers on pavement overlay projects. The extension rings covered under this contract are for various sizes and will be delivered and stored at AWU's Webberville Warehouse and will be used by maintenance crews for emergency repair and routine maintenance.

MBE/WBE solicited: 5/3                      MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Forty-five notices were sent, including five MBEs and three WBEs. Three bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs. Two "No Bid"s were received.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 9% decrease from the last contract award in August 2006.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Lowest bid received. FJ Turner is the current supplier of these products.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.