

## AGENDA



Thursday, August 20, 2009

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 34**

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**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a contract through the Texas Multiple Award Schedule (TXMAS) with BRUNSWICK COMMERCIAL & GOVERNMENT PRODUCTS, INC., Edgewater, FL, for the purchase of a fire/rescue boat in an amount not to exceed \$125,988.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Vehicle Acquisition Fund.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**For More Information:** Sharon Patterson, Senior Buyer, 972-4014

**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). This contract is a Cooperative Purchase; therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 791 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

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This contract is for the purchase of one replacement fire/rescue boat to be assigned to the Austin Fire Department.

This boat has been recommended for purchase utilizing a process that involves the Fleet Officer and the user department. AFD reviews the list of units determined eligible for replacement by Fleet Services based on mileage, hours of use, and maintenance costs. From that list, priority uses were determined within the department, and the departments' proposed unit was reviewed by the Fleet Service Center Manager to insure the specified unit is appropriate for the use.

This boat is a replacement for an outdated 17-year old ski barge currently in use and will serve all of Lake Austin. In addition, this unit will be available for deployment to Lady Bird Lake and Decker Lake if needed. The boat is equipped to operate with a crew of four and have a capacity for up to 10 more personnel and/or patients.

The boat will be equipped with an 800-gallon per minute on-board fire pump, assorted firefighting tools, hose and equipment, and water and boat rescue equipment. The boat will also have GPS and electronic systems that make it able to operate at night and in most weather conditions. The boat is built to current National Fire Protection Association and United States Coast Guard marine standards and is equipped with low emission output engines that are United States Environmental Protection Agency compliant.

Brunswick Commercial & Government Products, Inc. is contracted through TXMAS to supply this type of equipment to other public entities state-wide. This cooperative purchasing program is coordinated by the State of Texas, Comptroller of Public Accounts and allows the City to use TXMAS contracts that have been developed from contracts that were competitively bid and awarded by the General Services Administration's Federal Supply Service. The estimated delivery for this boat is approximately 90-120 days.