

AGENDA



Thursday, August 20, 2009

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Item No. 36

Subject: Authorize award and execution of six contracts through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) with: RDO EQUIPMENT CO., Pflugerville, TX for the purchase of three articulated wheeled loaders, 10 tractor/loader/backhoes, two skid steer loaders, and two hydraulic excavators in an amount not to exceed \$1,899,996.76; VERMEER OF TEXAS, Round Rock, TX for the purchase of one tub grinder in an amount not to exceed \$626,650; TYMCO INTERNATIONAL, LTD, Waco, TX for the purchase of one street sweeper in an amount not to exceed \$79,397.50; COOPER EQUIPMENT CO., San Antonio, TX for the purchase of three low bed equipment trailers and one motor grader in an amount not to exceed \$351,116.90; KINLOCH EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY, INC., Arlington, TX for the purchase of two street sweepers in an amount not to exceed \$324,660; and HOLT CAT, Austin, TX for the purchase of one articulated wheeled loader in an amount not to exceed \$300,010.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$79,397.50 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Operating Budget of the Aviation Department. Funding in the amount of \$72,081 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding in the amount of \$1,144,916 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding in the amount of \$29,250 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Vehicle Acquisition Fund. Funding in the amount of \$858,674.90 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Street & Bridge Division of the Public Works Department. Funding in the amount of \$926,660 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Solid Waste Services Department. Funding in the amount of \$470,851.76 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection & Development Review Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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MBE/WBE: These contracts will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). These contracts are Cooperative Purchases; therefore, they are exempted under Chapter 791 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

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

These contracts are for the purchase of seven new and 19 replacement pieces of heavy equipment. The equipment will be distributed between Austin Energy, Austin Water Utility, Parks and Recreation Department, Public Works Department, Solid Waste Services Department, Watershed Protection and Development Review Department, and Aviation Department.

Included in this purchase are the following pieces of equipment:

Austin Energy

1 Detachable Gooseneck Low Bed Trailer – Replacement

Austin Water Utility

- 1 Hydraulic Mini Excavator – Replacement
- 1 Articulating Wheel Loader – Replacement
- 9 Tractor/Loader/Backhoes – Replacement

Parks and Recreation

- 1 Skid Steer Loader – Replacement

Public Works – Street and Bridge

- 2 Articulating Wheel Loaders – Replacement
- 1 Motor Grader – Replacement
- 1 Live Bottom Trailer – New
- 2 Regenerative Air Street Sweepers – New

Solid Waste Services

- 1 Tub Grinder – New
- 1 Articulating Wheel Loader – New

Watershed Protection and Development Review

- 1 Skid Steer Loader – Replacement
- 1 Hydraulic Track Excavator – Replacement
- 1 Detachable Gooseneck Low Bed Trailer – New
- 1 Tractor/Loader/Backhoes – New

Aviation

- 1 Truck Mounted Sweeper - Replacement

These contracts include the purchase of 26 pieces of equipment for a total dollar amount of \$3,581,831.16.

Austin Energy's Climate Protection team and Fleet have worked together to develop a vehicle and equipment purchasing process in our progress towards our citywide objective of obtaining carbon neutrality by 2020. The development of the purchasing criteria incorporates emissions impact, available technologies on the market, physical demands on the vehicle, and service application. These criteria are applied to all vehicles submitted to Fleet for purchase.

The majority of this equipment is self-propelled by engines capable of burning biodiesel (B20) fuel. In line with Austin Climate Protection Program goals, B20 provides an approximate 25% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions versus using gasoline and an approximate 5% reduction versus using petrodiesel. The low bed equipment trailers and live bottom trailers (used to spread asphalt and aggregate) are non-powered and will be towed behind City-owned trucks.

All of the replacement equipment has met the Fleet Officer's eligibility criteria for replacement. The Fleet Service Center Managers have inspected each piece of equipment to be replaced, and determined that the mileage or hours of use of each piece proposed for replacement cannot be increased without risking a significant increase in repair costs and loss of productivity due to down time. The seven new pieces of equipment were also sent to Fleet Services and forwarded to the appropriate ACM for approval.

The vendors named in this RCA are contracted through BuyBoard to supply various types of equipment statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing BuyBoard contracts provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest opportunity to place the City's equipment order.