

## AGENDA



Thursday, December 17, 2009

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 66**

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**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) with UNDERGROUND, INC., Pearland, TX, for the purchase of Cues sewer inspection camera system equipment in an amount not to exceed \$85,094.60.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

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

**For More Information:** Roy Rivers, Buyer II/512-974-2596

**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.

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

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This contract is for the purchase of various components of the Cues manufactured sewer inspection camera system equipment that will be used by the Collection System Services (CSS) work group of the Austin Water Utility (AWU). This work group is responsible for inspecting the entire sewer collection system for defects, perform sanitary sewer evaluation studies, and report its findings to the engineering group of AWU to make recommendations for needed underground wastewater line repairs.

The Cues camera is designed to inspect 6"- 36" waste water lines on a steerable track. The camera system is compact with built-in LED lights on the head that allow it to fit into tight access points. These features are essential to inspect the 6" lines that make up a large portion of the City's waste water collection system.

Underground, Inc is contracted through BuyBoard to supply this equipment statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the BuyBoard contract provides for volume discount pricing, as well as increased administrative cost avoidance.