

Thursday, March 11, 2010

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 28

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) with GT DISTRIBUTORS, INC., Austin, TX, for the purchase of ammunition in an estimated amount not to exceed \$552,615.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$201,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of the Austin Police Department. Funding for the remaining six months of the original contract period is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

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

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MBE/WBE: This cooperative contract is exempt from the MBE/WBE Ordinance. This exemption is 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 contract.

This contract will provide for various types and calibers of duty and training ammunition for police officers and training academy cadets. The Austin Police Department (APD) provides ammunition for officers and cadets to use for practice, to carry while on duty, for qualification, and for use when attending various classes offered at the APD Training Academy. All APD officers are required by State statute and departmental policy to qualify with all weapons they are authorized to carry, including handguns, shotguns and rifles. Officers qualify annually at the Training Academy range by firing at a variety of targets (depending on the weapon), where they are rated for accuracy. A minimum score must be attained for each type of weapon.

GT Distributors, Inc. is contracted through BuyBoard to supply these products statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the BuyBoard contract provides for volume discount pricing and availability of ammunition in a limited supply market.