

AGENDA



Thursday, June 24, 2010

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 53**

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a contract through the Texas Multiple Awards Schedule (TXMAS) cooperative purchasing program with ROCKFORD BUSINESS INTERIORS, Austin, TX, for the purchase and installation of modular systems furniture in an amount not to exceed \$88,158.10.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Special Revenue Fund, Urban Area Security Initiative Grant.

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

For More Information: Mick Osborne, Specialist Sr. Buyer, 974-2995

MBE/WBE: This Cooperative Purchase is exempt from the MBE/WBE Ordinance. This exemption is in compliance with Chapter 2-9C 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.

Boards and Commission Action: Urban Area Working Group approved acceptance of this grant.

Related to the Fusion Project – Austin Regional Intelligence Center (ARIC).

Prior Council Action: August 8, 2008, accepted grant funding as part of the FY 2008-2009 budget process. August 4, 2009, approved an interlocal agreement with Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to lease space from DPS for the Austin Regional Intelligence Center.

This contract is for the purchase and installation of modular systems furniture to be installed at the Austin Regional Intelligence Center (ARIC). The building in which ARIC will operate is being remodeled and there is no existing furniture.

This purchase will be made through a TXMAS cooperative contract with Rockford Business Interiors. The ARIC project team reviewed proposals from three TXMAS contract vendors and selected the recommended vendor based upon cost and responsiveness to defined needs.

Rockford Business Interiors is contracted through TXMAS to provide various types of business furniture 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 competitively bid and awarded by the General Services Administration's Federal Supply Service.