

AGENDA



Thursday, June 24, 2010

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 55**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a contract with AIR CLEANING TECHNOLOGIES, INC, Broken Arrow, OK for the purchase and installation of diesel exhaust emission systems for the Austin Fire Department in an amount not to exceed \$764,100.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$611,360 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009 Federal Emergency Management Agency Assistance to Firefighters grant. An in-kind match of \$152,740 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department.

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

For More Information: Colleen Athey, Buyer I, 972-4012

Purchasing Language: Sole Source.

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). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

Prior Council Action: June 10, 2010 - Accepted Assistance to Firefighters Grant funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

This contract will provide for the purchase and installation of PlymoVent diesel exhaust systems in 36 Austin fire stations.

On June 10, 2010, the Austin City Council approved acceptance of a grant awarded to the Austin Fire Department (AFD) for the installation of exhaust systems in the vehicle bays of various fire stations. These exhaust systems are needed to address the danger to employee health and safety posed by diesel emissions.

The PlymoVent-brand vehicle emissions exhaust system has been installed in all new Fire/EMS stations since 1998. The City's fire apparatus come equipped with custom exhaust systems specifically designed to fit the PlymoVent system. Because AFD routinely interchanges apparatus between stations in order to perform maintenance and repairs, all stations must be compatible with the PlymoVent system.

Air Cleaning Technologies, Inc. is the sole authorized distributor of the PlymoVent system in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas.