

AGENDA



Thursday, December 16, 2010

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**
Item No. 35

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a requirements service contract with GEOSPATIAL INNOVATIONS, INC., Austin, TX, for the purchase of software implementation services in an amount not to exceed \$1,061,835. Geospatial Innovations, Inc., is the sole proposer for these services.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Art Acuña, Senior Buyer/512-322-6307

Purchasing Language: Sole proposal received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded 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 solicitation.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.

This contract will provide implementation services to upgrade multiple existing GE proprietary geographic information system (GIS) software applications that are at the end of their life cycle. These GIS products are currently utilized within Austin Energy's (AE), Electric Service Delivery business unit and are considered critical software components involving the situational awareness of AE's distribution condition and spatial location of distribution infrastructure.

The GIS application maps AE's electric distribution network and is used for outage management and restoration. Upgrading the older versions will allow AE to model underground networks and transmission data which is not captured today. It will also ensure that AE is up to date with GE product releases and supporting technology for our software.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/4

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole proposal. This is a very specialized service, thus companies capable of providing it are very limited.
- b. One hundred nineteen notices were sent, including three MBEs and four WBEs. One proposal was received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Sole proposal received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.