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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

7133

Agenda Number

30.

Meeting Date:

June 9, 2011

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract with CENTRAL TEXAS COMMERCIAL AIR, Austin, TX for the rental of temporary, portable, utility plant systems for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$500,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$166,667 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining eight months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing
Language:

Sole proposal received.

Prior Council
Action:



For More
Information:

Karen Williams, Senior Buyer (512) 322-6467

Boards and
Commission
Action:

Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.

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.

Related Items:



Additional Backup Information

This contract will provide for the rental of temporary, portable, utility plant systems for Austin Energy's Mueller Energy Center (MEC), the Combined Transportation and Emergency Communications Center (CTECC), Downtown District Cooling Plants (Paul Robbins plant and DCP2) and the Domain District Cooling Plant. Contracts at these locations require Austin Energy to provide chilled water and/or steam services on a 24-hour basis to such customers as the Dell Children's Medical Center, UT Dell Pediatric Research Institute, City Hall, Convention Center, Four Seasons Residences, Austin 360, Ballet Austin, Whole Foods, The Austonian, Austin Hilton Hotel, W Hotel, and a mix of retail and residential properties at the Domain. Because of the critical nature of many of these facilities, it is necessary for Austin Energy to have a contract that will ensure a prompt response in the event of plant equipment failure. Equipment available under this contract may include boilers, cooling towers, air compressors, electric generators and chillers.

An Austin Energy team with expertise in this area evaluated the proposal. The criteria evaluated included the concept and solution proposed, demonstrated experience, equipment proposed, personnel qualifications, and total evaluated cost.

MBE/WBE solicited: 5/2

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole proposal. Proposal closing date was extended in an effort to secure more proposals without success. The equipment required is specialized so companies able to provide it are very limited.
- b. Two hundred and sixty notices were sent, including five MBEs and two WBEs. One proposal was received, with no responses from MBE/WBEs.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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