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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	9074	Agenda Number	36.
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Meeting Date:	August 25, 2011
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements supply contract with GT DISTRIBUTORS, INC., Austin, TX to provide tasers for the Austin Police Department in a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$600,000. GT Distributors, Inc. is the sole source provider for these products.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$170,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget of the Austin Police Department. Funding for the remaining 35 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.

Purchasing Language:	Single Source.
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Prior Council Action:	
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Boards and Commission Action:	
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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.
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Related Items:	
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Additional Backup Information

This contract is for the purchase of TASERS (electro-muscular disruption device), replacement TASER cartridges for field use and training, holsters, and extended warranties for each TASER.

Officers must successfully complete the department-approved training program before they are certified to carry and use the TASER. Patrol Officers and other Officers assigned to specialized units, including Mental Health, SWAT, and Motors and Street Response, are trained and authorized to carry TASERS.

This brand and type of device is required to maintain uniformity within the Austin Police Department with regards to training and compatibility of cartridges and holsters.

GT Distributors Inc. is the sole authorized distributor of this product for the State of Texas.