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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

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| Austin City Council | Item ID: | 9467 | Agenda Number | 28. |
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| Meeting Date: | October 6, 2011 |
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| Department: | Purchasing |
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements service contract with WASTEWATER TRANSPORT SERVICES, LLC, Austin, TX, for sludge and sewage pumping, hauling and disposal services for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$83,440, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$41,720 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$166,880.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$41,720 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 12-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.

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| Purchasing Language: | Lowest bid of two bids received. |
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| Prior Council Action: | |
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| For More Information: | Sydney Ceder, Sr. Buyer /974 2035 |
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| Boards and Commission Action: | Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission. |
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| 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. |
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| Related Items: | |
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Additional Backup Information

This contract is to provide sludge and sewage pumping, hauling and disposal services for the Austin Water Utility on an as needed basis. The contract will pump and transport the materials in accordance with Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Environmental Protection Agency, and Texas Department of Transportation regulations, to disposal locations at the South Austin Regional or Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plants (WWTP). This service is for scheduled hauling of waste and is necessary to maintain proper operations of the facilities to ensure permit requirements are met.

Services will be provided to Harris Branch WWTP, Thoroughbred Farms WWTP, Dessau WWTP and Onion Creek Water Reclamation Plant, all of which are located in Travis County. Hauling from these facilities is necessary since these facilities are not tied into the City's wastewater systems at South Austin Regional or Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. SSC0163

**SCHEDULED SLUDGE & SEWAGE PUMPING, HAULING AND DISPOSAL SERVICES
(4 line items)**

VENDOR

TOTAL ANNUAL BID

Wastewater Transport Services, LLC
Austin, Texas

\$41,720

Southwaste Disposal, LLC
Pflugerville, Texas

\$47,680

A copy of the bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FASD Purchasing Office website.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Fifty-four notices were sent, including three MBEs. There are no known WBEs for this commodity code. Two bids were received, with no response from the MBEs. Two "No Bids" were received.
- c. The pricing offered represents an approximate 26% decrease from the last contract award September 2008.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid. Wastewater Transport Services, LLC is not the current provider.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.