A U S T I N C I T Y C O U N C I L					
Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)					
Austin City Council		Item ID:	10173	Agenda Number	45.
Meeting Date:	October 20, 2011				
Department:	Purchasing				
Subject					
Authorize award and execution of a contract through the TEXAS MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE (TXMAS) WITH ALPHA BUILDING CORPORATION, San Antonio, TX, for the installation of a sodium hypochlorite generation system and enclosure for the Austin Water Utility at the Onion Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant in an amount estimated not to exceed \$81,325.76.					
Amount and Source of Funding					
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.					
Fiscal Note					
A fiscal note is attached.					
Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Purchase.				
Prior Council Action:					
For More Information:	Lupe Cruz, Buyer I, 974-9142				
Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.				
MBE / WBE:	This Cooperative Purchase is exempt from the MBE /WBE Ordinance. This exemption is 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 contract.				
Related Items:					
Additional Backup Information					

This contract is for the installation of a new on-site sodium hypochlorite generation system (OSHGS) as previously purchased by the Austin Water Utility for the Onion Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant. This OSHGS will replace the plant's existing chlorine gas disinfection system. The OSHGS will be a safer system for plant staff and surrounding neighborhoods. The contractor will install the new system and furnish and install one fiberglass structure to house the system.

Alpha Building Corporation is under contract with TXMAS to provide these services statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Two other firms under the TXMAS contract were contacted and Alpha Building Corporation offered the lowest price for the services.

The following firms were contacted and provided quotes on this project based on the specification provided by the Austin Water Utility: Pepper-Lawson Construction, LP - \$111,562 and Acumen Enterprises - \$126,733.