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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

10611

Agenda Number

37.

Meeting Date:

November 10, 2011

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements supply contract with SIRCHIE ACQUISITION COMPANY LLC, dba SIRCHIE FINGER PRINT LABORATORIES, Youngsville, NC to provide sexual assault evidence kits in an estimated amount not to exceed \$69,510, with three 12-month extension options in estimated amounts not to exceed \$27,951 for the first extension option, \$30,747 for the second extension option, and \$33,821 for the third extension option for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$162,029.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$19,250 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Austin Police Department. Funding for the remaining 25 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:

Lowest bid of two bids received.

Prior Council
Action:For More
Information:

Erin Grace, Buyer I, 972-4017

Boards and
Commission
Action:

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.

Related Items:



Additional Backup Information

This contract will provide sexual assault evidence kits for the Austin Police Department. The sexual assault evidence kits are used by the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) nurses to perform Sexual Assault Forensics Exams (SAFE) to collect and preserve evidence for criminal cases of sexual type crimes, such as rape and sexual assault.

This kit includes a variety of forensic exam materials and, new to this version of the kit, a blood collection card that provides a fast and easy way to prepare blood samples for DNA analysis. The DNA is captured and stabilized immediately, enabling indefinite room temperature storage eliminating the need to be stored in a temperature controlled environment.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/1

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. EAG0205
Sexual Assault Evidence Kits
(1 line item)

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
Sirchie Finger Print Laboratories Youngsville, NC	\$20,976.00
Tri-Tech Forensics, Inc. Southport, NC	\$27,864.00

The expenditures for the first 12 months of this contract are estimated to be \$21,000. A copy of the complete 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. One hundred seventy-seven notices were sent, including one MBE and one WBE. Two bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 38% increase from the last contract award in April 2007. The price increase can be attributed to using a new, customized kit for the Austin Police Department. This new kit includes a blood collection card that was not previously included in the stock kit.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid. Sirchie Finger Print Laboratories is the current provider of these goods.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Police Department's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.