

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	10871	Agenda Number	44.
Meeting Date:	December 8, 2011			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
Authorize award and execution of Amendment No. 15 to the requirements contracts with ASPLUNDH TREE EXPERTS CO, Corpus Christi, TX and DAVEY TREE SURGERY CO, Livermore, CA for distribution line clearance services for Austin Energy to extend the current contract period by six months and to increase the contract authorization in an estimated combined amount not to exceed \$4,000,000, for a revised estimated combined contract amount not to exceed \$64,000,000.				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.				
Fiscal Note				
There is no anticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.				
Purchasing Language:	Contract Amendment			
Prior Council Action:	August 24, 2006 – Approved 24-month contract; August 21, 2008 - Approved three 12-month extension options.			
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) with 16.12% MBE and 1.01% WBE subcontractor participation to date for Asplundh; and 19.59% MBE and 3.03% WBE subcontractor participation to date for Davey.			
Related Items:				

### Additional Backup Information

This contract Amendment is to provide continuation of professional distribution line clearance services to include but not be limited to scheduled vegetation maintenance and storm restoration capabilities, tree pruning and/or removal of various types of vegetation growing within Austin Energy's (AE) electrical facilities, utility easements and rights-of-way. The work sites are generally located within AE's service delivery territory and are often adjacent to public streets and roads, or may be situated along the rear or side lot lines of individual property owners.

These contracts were competitively bid and approved by Council in 2006 for one 24-month base period in the amount of \$24,000,000 with direction to return to council after that period to request the addition of three 12-month extension options. This recommended Council action is to approve Amendment No. 15 to increase current combined contract amount by \$4,000,000 and extend the current contract term by six months at which time the City expects a new contract to be in place. The contract term will be extended and due to expire on June 26, 2012.

A new solicitation for these services was issued on October 3, 2011 and award is expected by February of 2012. Clearance of these lines is critical to the reliability of AE's distribution system and it is imperative that a contract be in place until the new contract can be executed.

#### Contract Summary

Action	Description	Amount (Each and Combined)
Original Contracts awarded 08-28-2006 – 8/27/2008	Original 24-month contracts	\$24,000,000
Amendment No.1	Added line items for additional labor classes	\$0.00
Amendment No.2	Added Scope of Work to include PARD	\$0.00
Amendment No. 3	Added line items for additional labor classes	\$0.00
Amendment No.4	Per Council Approval, added three 12-month extension options, and exercised first option for each contract	\$12,000,000
Amendment No. 5	Adjusted billing rates per economic price adjustment clause; 8/11/2008	\$ 0.00
Amendment No. 6	Corrected numbering on Amendment 5	\$0.00
Amendment No. 7	Adjusted billing rates per economic price adjustment clause; 3/16/2009	\$0.00
Amendment No. 8	Exercise second 12-month option	\$12,000,000
Amendment No. 9	Exercise third 12-month option	\$12,000,000
Amendment No.10	Added FACTA requirements	\$0.00
Amendment No. 11	Adjusted billing rates per economic price adjustment clause; 8/26/2010	\$0.00
Amendment No. 12	Adjusted billing rates per economic price adjustment clause; 6/15/2011	\$0.00
Amendment No. 13	Modification of Administrative process for PARD tree trimming services	\$0.00
Amendment No. 14	120 day holdover	\$0.00
Proposed Amendment No. 15	Increase current contract terms by six months and add additional funding	\$4,000,000
Total Revised Contract Amount		\$64,000,000

