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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

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| Austin City Council | Item ID: | 15182 | Agenda Number | 50. |
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| Meeting Date: | April 26, 2012 |
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| Department: | Purchasing |
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Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the NATIONAL JOINT POWERS ALLIANCE, a public corporation and agency, to allow the City of Austin to participate in this agency's cooperative purchasing program to purchase various types of goods and services offered on contracts available to the City.

Amount and Source of Funding

Procurements under this interlocal agreement will not be made unless funds are available in appropriate Departmental budgets.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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| Purchasing Language: | Cooperative Purchase. |
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| Prior Council Action: | |
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| For More Information: | Cruz Banda, Buyer II / 974-2133 |
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| Boards and Commission Action: | |
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| Related Items: | |
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| 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. |
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Additional Backup Information

This interlocal agreement will allow the City of Austin to participate in the purchase of various goods and services through the use of contracts already in place through the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA). Through national solicitations, NJPA provides the opportunity for members to purchase equipment, goods and services through nationally leveraged, competitively bid contracts, resulting in volume discounts.

NJPA contracts available for cooperative purchasing include, but are not limited to office supplies, medical supplies and equipment, printing, furniture, emergency response equipment, and heavy equipment.

Purchases exceeding the City Manager's authorized administrative authority will be brought forward for City Council's review and approval on a case by case basis prior to ordering the products.

This agreement is entered into under the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code.