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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

15424

Agenda Number

64.

Meeting Date:

May 24, 2012

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) with HELENA CHEMICAL COMPANY for the purchase of fertilizer, fungicides, and pesticides to be used by the Golf Division of the Parks and Recreation Department for golf course turf management programs in an estimated amount not to exceed \$200,000 with one 12-month extension option in an amount not to exceed \$200,000, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$400,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$128,750 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department. Funding in the amount of \$65,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department. Funding for the remaining eight months of the original contract period and extension option is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

A Fiscal Note is attached.

Purchasing Language:

Cooperative Purchase

Prior Council Action:

For More Information:

Sharon Patterson, Senior Buyer, 974-2995

Boards and Commission Action:

Related Items:

MBE / WBE:

This Cooperative Purchase is exempt from the MBE /WBE Ordinance. This exemption is 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 contract.

Additional Backup Information

This contract will provide fertilizer, fungicides, and pesticides for the Golf Division of the Parks and Recreation Department (PARC) for golf course turf management programs. This purchase is necessary to maintain the turf on fairways, tees, and greens at the various golf courses maintained by PARC's Golf Division.

These products will be used in the day-to-day maintenance of golf course turf as well as the Capital Improvement Project currently taking place at Morris Williams Golf Course.

Due to varying seasonal weather conditions and high foot and cart-traffic, the Golf Division requires a wide range of both organic and commercially reproduced products to ensure golfing fairways, tees, and greens are maintained at the highest quality. At every opportunity, PARC will utilize organic material and will consider it to be the preferred solution.

Helena Chemical Company is contracted through BuyBoard to supply these materials statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the BuyBoard contract provides for local government agencies to make use of their collective purchasing power and is authorized under the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code.