AGENDA

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		**Item ID:**	17830	**Agenda Number**	33.
Meeting Date:	August 23, 2012				
Department:	Purchasing				

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a 12-month services agreement with BRIDGEALL LIBRARIES LIMITED, for a subscription-based hosted software application called collectionHQ for the Austin Public Library, to track usage of various collections such as books, audio books, music, and dvds, to assist in the selection and management of the Library's collection in an estimated amount not to exceed $38,550, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed $31,050 for each extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed $100,650.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of $38,550 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Austin Public Library. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon availability in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	Sole Source.
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Brenda Helgren, Sr. Buyer/974-9141
Boards and Commission Action:	
Related Items:	
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.

Additional Backup Information

This hosted application tracks usage of various collections to aid staff in determining what future purchases are needed (so that not just reviews are used for future purchases). This helps manage the collection by showing what people are reading and what is needed to be purchased for the future.

This request is for a subscription based, hosted software application called "collectionHQ" which will utilize the Austin Public Library's data, provided over a web interface, to assist them with selection and management of the Library's collection including but not limited to books, audio books, music, and dvds. The application uses Evidence Based Stock Management (EBSM) Methodology to improve collection performance by making management of the collection more effective, more customer focused, less wasteful, more measured and more performance-based. The software utilizes current and historical information from the Library's databases along with local target settings and provides action plans to help management drive performance toward targets. The application also identifies stock demand and makes recommendations based upon the information.

Bridgeall Libraries Limited is the sole supplier globally of collectionHQ; the only product in the world which delivers the Evidence Based Stock Management (EBSM) methodology to manage library collections.