

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

19350

Agenda Number

46.

Meeting Date:

October 18, 2012

Department:

Purchasing

## Subject

Authorize award and execution of five contracts for the purchase, delivery and installation of furniture for Austin Energy's new System Control Center with INDOFF, INC., in an amount not to exceed \$49,806; GREENLINE DATA, INC., in an amount not to exceed \$24,622; 3MB INTERIOR PLUS in an amount not to exceed \$9,240; AUSTIN BUSINESS FURNITURE in an amount not to exceed \$8,072 and SOUTHWEST SOLUTIONS GROUP in an amount not to exceed \$7,390, for a total amount not to exceed \$99,130; or Authorize award and execution of three contracts for the purchase, delivery and installation of furniture for Austin Energy's new System Control Center, with INDOFF, INC. in an amount not to exceed \$49,806, 3MB INTERIOR PLUS in an amount not to exceed \$6,840, AUSTIN BUSINESS FURNITURE in an amount not to exceed \$8,072, and the following qualified bidder, consistent with local preference law, INDOFF, INC., in the amount of \$34,543 (for Items 4, 7, and 12), for a total amount not to exceed \$99,262.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

## Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

**Purchasing  
Language:**

Lowest bids received.

**Prior Council  
Action:**

**For More  
Information:**

Oralia Jones, Senior Buyer /512-322-6594

**Boards and  
Commission  
Action:**

To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on October 15, 2012.

**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**

In October 2005, the City Manager was directed by City Council to relocate the existing Energy Control Center (ECC) from its West Avenue location so that the property could be incorporated into the Seaholm and downtown redevelopment efforts. In July 2007, City Council approved the purchase of an existing building and surrounding 12 acres from Tokyo Electron, located at 2500 Montopolis Drive, with the objective of using this property for the control center relocation project. This new facility, the System Control Center (SCC), will house current ECC employees as well as several other compatible workgroups within Austin Energy.

When the renovation is complete, which is estimated to be by the end of 2012, the existing building will have increased in size from 120,000 to 174,000 square feet. Also, a new 18,000 square foot building under construction will house Austin Energy's Distribution System Restoration and Maintenance Group and provide a sheltered area for bucket trucks. These facilities will provide the City of Austin and Austin Energy with state of the art control and data centers required to meet North American Reliability Corporation (NERC) standards. It will also meet current standards for physical security appropriate to the electric industry and provide the space required to support advancement of the Smart Grid.

This purchase includes items needed to furnish the building including chemical lockers, lab benches, cabinets, tape racks and a power console. Austin Energy staff coordinated a lengthy process to ensure these items fall within the specifications of the design plan developed by the firm contracted and approved for the design of the building.

The SCC project is targeting a LEED silver certification for design and construction and supports Austin Energy's commitment to renewable energy as stated in the 2003 Strategic Plan and the 2007 Austin Climate Protection Plan.

If Council chooses to invoke the City's local preference policy and select Indoff, Inc., 3MB Interior Plus and Austin Business Furniture, the motion should be stated as follows in order for the record to reflect the appropriate findings. Motion: "I move to authorize the award and execution of an agreement with Indoff, Inc., 3MB Interior Plus and Austin Business Furniture, for the purchase of furniture for Austin Energy's System Control Center building based on the fact that the local bidder offers the City the best combination of contract price and additional economic development opportunities for the City created by the contract award, including the employment of residents of the City and increased tax revenues to the City."

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/5

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**BID TABULATION**

IFB No. OPJ0005

Furniture for Austin Energy's SCC Building  
(14 – line items)

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b>Low Bid Items</b>	<b>Low Bid Total Amount</b>	<b>Total Bid Amount with <u>Local Presence</u></b>
Indoff, Inc. Austin, TX	1-3,6,8,10,13,14	\$49,806.33	\$84,349.47 (3% Local Pres. Items 4, 7, 12)
Greenline Data, Inc. Westlake Village, CA	7	\$24,621.45	

3MB Interior Plus Sugar Land, TX	5,11,12	\$ 9,240.00	\$ 6,840.00 (Low bid Items 5, 11)
Austin Business Furniture Austin, TX	9	\$ 8,072.00	\$ 8,072.00 (Low bid Item 9)
Southwest Solutions Group Round Rock, TX	4	<u>\$ 7,389.96</u>	_____
		\$99,129.74	\$99,261.47

A 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. Eighty-eight notices were sent including one MBE and five WBEs. Five bids were received, with no response from the MBE /WBE.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

#### **APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Lowest bids received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.