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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	22228	Agenda Number	25.
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Meeting Date:	3/7/2013
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a requirements service contract with LOOMIS PARTNERS, Inc., or one of the other qualified offerors to RFP No. JSD0131, to develop a Community Wildfire Protection Plan for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$200,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$50,000 is available in the 2012-2013 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department; \$50,000 is available in the 2012-2013 Operating Budget of Austin Water Utility; and \$100,000 from Travis County.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	Best evaluated proposal received
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Jeff Dilbert, Corporate Purchasing Manager, 974-2021
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Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.
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Related Items:	
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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). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.
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Additional Backup Information

The purpose of this contract is to develop a regional Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) for the City of Austin, Travis County, and members of the Joint Wildfire Task Force. The CWPP will be a multijurisdictional plan that is scalable for use by local neighborhoods, cities, and emergency service districts in developing their own, detailed CWPP's. Critical elements of the CWPP will include:

- A report with data analyses and recommendations
- A set of databases suitable for use with Esri ArcGIS Version 10 Service Pack 5.

The Consultant will lead a robust public-involvement process using consensus-based, collaborative group planning to guide decision making for the CWPP. This process will guide CWPP development by using public involvement to define community needs and values.

Best evaluated proposal criteria included, grasp of the requirement and its solutions, responsiveness to terms and conditions, completeness and thoroughness of the technical data and documentation, prior CWPP Experience, experience with Central Texas ecology and fire ecology, and spatial analysis and modeling experience

This request allows for the development of an agreement with a qualified offeror that Council selects. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the selected offeror, negotiations will cease with that provider. Staff will return to Council so that Council may select another qualified offeror and authorize contract negotiations with this provider.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- Adequate competition
- 38 notices were sent. There are no known MBE/WBE listed for this commodity code.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- Best evaluated proposal
- The Purchasing Office concurs with the Evaluation Team's recommended award.
- Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet.