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## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	27282	Agenda Number	61.
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Meeting Date:	September 26, 2013
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Department:	Purchasing
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## Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements service contract with SIMPLEX GRINNELL L.P., or one of the other qualified offerors to RFP No. PAX0108 for inspection, testing, maintenance, repair, upgrades, and new system installation for fire alarm, suppression, alarm monitoring, and related systems for various city departments in an amount not to exceed \$4,200,000, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$1,400,000 per option for a total contract amount not to exceed \$8,400,000.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$1,400,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of various City Departments. Funding for the remaining 24 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

## 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:	Sai Xoomsai, Senior Buyer, 972-4016
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Boards and Commission Action:	September 10, 2013 – Approved by the Airport Advisory Board. September 11, 2013 – Approved by the Water and Waste Water Commission on a 6-0 vote.
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Related Items:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.
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## Additional Backup Information

This contract will provide for the inspection, testing, maintenance, and repair of existing fire alarm and fire suppression systems and alarm monitoring for various City of Austin buildings, as well as system upgrades and new system installations when necessary. City departments that will utilize this contract include the Aviation Department, Austin Water Utility, Building Services Department, Library Department, and the Parks and Recreation Department. As new City facilities are built or existing contracts expire, additional departments and building locations may be added to this contract.

The services provided under this agreement will cover fire alarm monitoring, fire suppression systems, air compressors, alarm panels, smoke and fire detectors, and other related equipment to comply with all applicable City of Austin building codes, state law, and National Fire Protection Association guidelines. Inspections and services will include the 5-year sprinkler obstruction test, testing of hydrants and backflow preventers, post indicator valves, duct detectors, pull stations, tamper switches, elevator control interfaces, smoke- or fire-door closures, smoke- or fire-vent dampers, water line valves, hydrostatic testing, fire alarm panels, hand-held fire extinguishers, and commercial kitchen hood systems.

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: 2/6

MBE/WBE proposal: 0/0

#### **PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Two hundred sixty-eight notices were sent, including 2 MBEs and 6 WBEs. Seven proposals were received, with no response from the MBEs and WBE's.

#### **APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Best evaluated proposal received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the the Aviation Department, Water Utility Department, Building Services Department, Library Department, and the Parks and Recreation Department's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.