

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	28473	Agenda Number	31.
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Meeting Date:	November 7, 2013
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 60-month requirement supply contract with the TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE through the General Services Administration National Wildfire Program, for purchase of wildfire protection equipment and supplies in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$83,333 is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department. Funding for the remaining forty six months of the original contract period is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Purchase.
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Prior Council Action:	March 7, 2013, approved a five-year Interlocal agreement with Texas A&M Forest Service.
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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 contract.
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Additional Backup Information

This contract for the purchase of wildfire protection equipment and supplies for inventory for the new Wildfire Division of the Austin Fire Department. This inventory will match the equipment that is used by Fire Departments regionally. This is effective when a fire does breakout and Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS) arrives on the scene with other municipalities, they offer one for one exchanges for fire gear on an as needed basis provided the gear matches theirs. TIFMAS uses General Services Administration equipment.