

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	28685	Agenda Number	27.
Meeting Date:	November 21, 2013				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with AIR-TRANSPORT IT SERVICES, INC. ("AirIT") to purchase AirIT's Airport Operational Database, Resource Management System, and additional EASE software licenses for expansion of the Shared Use Passenger Processing Systems at Austin-Bergstrom International Airport and implementation, maintenance, and support in an amount not to exceed \$1,257,255.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Capital Budget of the Aviation Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing	Sole Source			
Language:	Sole Source			
Prior Council				
Action:				
For More	David Kucko, Corporate Contract Administrator, 974-3364			
Information:	David Nucho, Corporate Contract Administrator, 974-3304			
Boards and	November 12, 2013 – Unanimously approved by the Austin Airport Advisory Commission on			
Commission	a 5-0 vote.			
Action:	a 5-0 vote.			
Related Items:				
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.			
Additional Backup Information				

The Aviation Department has implemented AirIT's EASETM (Extended Airline System Environment) to the Airport's city-owned shared use gates and ticket counters. The Austin Bergstrom International Airport's (ABIA) Shared Use Passenger Processing System (SUPPs) was furnished and installed through a Job Order Contract. AirIT's EASETM System was installed at four ticket counters and three gates at ABIA to allow new service from two new airlines in October 2013.

This purchase is to expand this existing EASETM system to include additional functionality, licensing and system maintenance and support. The purchase will include AirIT's Airport Operational Database, Resource Management System and additional EASETM software licenses for expansion of the systems for additional ticket counters and gates, including related equipment and hardware necessary for the implementation of the system. AirIT is the sole developer, provider, and installer of their systems.

With increasing flight activity from multiple airlines and the announcement of more international service at ABIA, including British Airways' direct London flights to start in early March 2014, this expansion of the SUPPs and installation of the resource and operations management systems will provide the infrastructure necessary for the airport to efficiently operate the limited ticket counters and gates. Time is of the essence for this procurement, as some of the equipment required for the British Airways operations at ABIA require a 12-week lead time for installation.

This is sole source because this is a continuation of an existing project to install shared use gates and ticket counters. The purchase will include AirIT's Airport Operational Database, Resource Management System, and additional $EASE^{TM}$ software licenses for expansion of the systems.