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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	31965	Agenda Number	42.
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Meeting Date:	April 17, 2014
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply/service agreement with THOMAS TURFGRASS to provide sod and turfgrass in an amount not to exceed \$208,802, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$208,802 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$835,208.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$87,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department. Funding for the remaining 7-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:	Lowest bid received.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Terry Nicholson, Sr. Buyer Specialist, 512-974-2995
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Boards and Commission Action:	
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Related Items:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9D (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 will provide the Parks and Recreation Department (PARC) with a consistent source of sod for its golf courses, cemeteries and parks. The City of Austin currently owns and operates six golf courses, five cemeteries and over two hundred fifty park facilities, for a combined space in excess of seventeen thousand acres. Due to the demand of these resources and the wear and tear caused by repeated vehicle, pedestrian and bicycles, PARC is required to replace sod on an ongoing basis.

Golf Division requirements will make up 95% of the overall volume due to their specialized requirements, including Tifway 419 and Tifdwarf Bermuda's. These sod products are specifically engineered for golf course use and therefore are not available through standard distribution channels. Tifway 419 will be used to repair damaged areas throughout the Golf Division resulting from irrigation leaks, vehicular damage, drainage repairs, equipment damage, as well as renovation projects. Tifdwarf sod is used for putting surfaces in both repairs to existing putting greens as well as the installation of new putting green surfaces.

MBE/WBE solicited: 4/7

MBE/WBE bid: 0/1

BID TABULATION

IFB TVN1003REBID

Sod for Golf Courses, Cemeteries and Parks

17 Items

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Bid</u>
Thomas Turfgrass Paige, TX	\$208,802
Original DKC Enterprises, LLC Houston, TX	\$314,432
Stag Golf, Inc. Castroville, TX	\$1,185,412
Austin Turf & Tractor Marble Falls, TX	**

**Austin Turf & Tractor's bid did not include the required pricing information and was therefore deemed non-responsive.

A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and on the City of Austin, FASD Purchasing website.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- Adequate competition.
- One hundred sixteen notices were sent including 4 MBE's and 7WBE's. 4 bids were received including 1 WBE.
- This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Parks and Recreation Department's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet.