

# Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting		Item ID:	34138	Agenda Number	55.
Meeting Date:	Augi	ıst 7, 2014			

# Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 36-month supply contract with ALAMO DISTRIBUTION, LLC, for the purchase of steel reinforcing bar for Austin Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$393,903, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$131,301 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$787,806.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$21,884 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 34 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

Department:

Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid received.	
Prior Council		
Action:		
For More Information:	Paige McDonald, Buyer II, 512-322-6118	
Boards and Commission Action:	July 21, 2014 - Approved by the Electric Utility Commission on a vote of 7-0.	
Related Items:		
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 solicitation.	
Additional Backup Information		

This contract is for the purchase of various lengths, gauges, and configurations of steel reinforcing bar (rebar) to be purchased on an as-needed basis. Rebar is used as a tensioning device in the construction of concrete and masonry structures. By itself, concrete is a material that is very strong in compression, but relatively weak in tension. To compensate for this imbalance in concrete's behavior, rebar is cast into it in order to carry tensile loads. This combination allows for concrete to be made into almost any shape and size. Austin Energy will use the rebar for various projects including construction of foundations for pad-mounted transformers and transmission equipment.

The raw materials used by the contractor are approximately 97% recycled steel scrap, approximately 87% of which is sourced from facilities within 500 miles of their mill.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/3 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

#### **BID TABULATION**

IFB No. MPM0011 Steel Reinforcing Bar (25 – line items)

<u>Vendor</u> <u>Total Bid Amount</u>

Alamo Distribution, LLC \$131,301.00

San Antonio, TX

KBS Electrical Distributors, Inc. \$168,494.35

Austin, TX

Note: A complete copy of the bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FSD Purchasing Office website.

#### **PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Sixty-five notices were sent including three MBEs and three WBEs. Two bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 2.9% decrease to the last purchase made in December 2011.

### **APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Lowest bid received. Alamo Distribution, LLC. is the current provider of these goods.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.