

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

| Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting | | Item ID: | 34325 | Agenda Number | 86. |
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| Meeting Date: | August 7, 2014 | | | | |
| Department: | Purchasing | | | | |

Subject

Authorize award, negotiation and execution of a 48-month service contract with COPPER RIVER INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, LLC for warrantied service and preventative maintenance for the ADVA Optical Networking equipment used in the City's telecommunications network in an amount not to exceed \$1,310,629.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$54,609 is available in the Operating Budget of Communications and Technology Management. Funding for the remaining 46 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 Sole Source. Language: **Prior Council** Action: For More Jonathan Harris, Sr. Buyer Specialist, 512-974-1771 Information: Boards and **Commission Action: Related Items:** This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority-Owned MBE / WBE: and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.

Additional Backup Information

This contract with Copper River Information Technology, Chantilly, Virginia, is for warrantied service and preventative maintenance and support of the ADVA Optical Networking equipment installed as part of the City of Austin Telecommunications Network (COATN). It also includes on-site support in the event of a major outage. In 2012, the City of Austin began a project to upgrade the COATN system. The project includes a Multiplexing Optical Network System (multiple analog message signals or digital data streams are combined into one signal over a shared medium), hardware components, supporting devices; and optical network management, Phase 1 of the project has been completed which includes ADVA Optical Networking equipment.

The ADVA Optical Networking equipment is deployed throughout the City and serves as the City's primary network transport technology servicing all departments including public safety. In the event of a major outage, Copper River

can deploy engineers from its local branch office to City sites within minutes. The initial contract to procure the project and equipment was awarded based on a RFP and this is the first year of support and maintenance for this system from the initial purchase contract. The manufacturer does not contract directly with government agencies, and Copper River is the only authorized provider of ADVA Optical Networking maintenance and warranty services approved by the manufacturer to work on equipment installed at the City of Austin. Later this year, the City of Austin will complete the final phase of ADVA Optical Networking installations. This contract includes funding to cover the maintenance and support of this new additional equipment when installation is complete.