

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	37260	Agenda Number	40.
Meeting Date:	November 6, 2014				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements-based service contract with GREATER AUSTIN CRANE SERVICES LTD, for the purchase of crane services for Austin Energy, in an amount not to exceed \$582,850, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$291,425 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,457,125.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$267,140 is available in the Austin Energy Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Operating Budget. Funding for the remaining 13 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	Lowest bid received.	
Language:		
Prior Council		
Action:		
For More	Paige McDonald, Buyer II, 512-322-6118	
Information:		
Boards and		
Commission	October 20, 2014 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 6-0 vote.	
Action:		
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 solicitation.	
Additional Backup Information		

This contract will provide Austin Energy with as-needed access to cranes, labor, qualified personnel, and tools required to safely lift, load, transport, and unload heavy utility equipment and materials. Examples of the types of equipment and materials to be moved include: transmission towers, reinforcing steel, manhole forms, and transformers weighing in excess of 200,000 pounds.

The services provided pursuant this contract directly impact Austin Energy's system reliability and reporting requirements. Without this contract, Austin Energy's ability to complete construction projects necessary to support continued growth in Austin and perform construction and maintenance to ensure system reliability will be adversely affected. The proposed Contractor will be licensed and bonded.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/1 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. MPM0015 Crane Services (19 – line items)

VendorTotal Bid AmountGreater Austin Crane Services, LTD.\$291,425.

Austin, TX

Texas Crane Services \$343,210.

Buda, TX

Crocker Crane Rentals, LP \$413,515.

Leander, TX

A complete 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. 32 notices were sent including one WBE. There are no known MBEs for this commodity code. Three bids were received, with no response from the WBE.
- c. The pricing offered is a 27% increase from the last contract award made in June 2010. The increase is based on higher prices of crane repairs and parts, and the Contractor's use of new cranes due to increased regulations in the crane industry.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received. Greater Austin Crane Services, LTD. is not the current provider of these services.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet.