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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

38134

Agenda Number

84.

Meeting Date:

December 11, 2014

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize the award and execution of Amendment No. 7 to a contract with OPEN LINK INTERNATIONAL, INC., for the implementation of an upgrade to the Open Link software and purchase of three additional software modules, in an amount not to exceed \$2,342,400, and the addition of five 12-month extension options for maintenance and support services in amounts not to exceed \$421,686, \$426,064, \$430,529, \$435,084, and \$236,930 respectively, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$5,088,849.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$2,342,400 is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the extension options are contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing
Language:

Contract Amendment

Prior Council
Action:

For More
Information:

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Boards and
Commission
Action:

November 17, 2014 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 7-0 vote.

Related Items:

MBE / WBE:

This contract was awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9(C) (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

On September 23, 2010, City Council authorized a Sole Source contract with Open Link International Inc. (Open Link) for the continued use of software and maintenance and support services for a risk management and deal capture system in an amount not to exceed \$752,755 over five years. The Open Link system tracks power purchases and sales as well as natural gas purchases. It is necessary for deal entry or capture, deal valuations, deal confirmations, counterparty credit monitoring, and ultimately output for invoice reconciliation and payment.

This proposed amendment will provide for the implementation of the Open Link software upgrade, as the current system is outdated. The current version being used, Version 7, is five versions behind and the maintenance for Version 7 will be terminated in September 2015. In addition, Version 7 is not compatible with Microsoft Windows 7, the current operating system, and Version 7 uses an old version of Oracle which is no longer supported. The new version, Version 12.3, will provide additional user-friendly functionality, in particular, for the configuration of invoices. This amendment will provide for 60 months of necessary maintenance and support services for the upgrade. If it is not approved, Austin Energy will not have the necessary support for its system that tracks power purchases and sales as well as natural gas purchases.

Contract Summary: The Open Link Software was originally competed through an RFP solicitation and awarded for implementation and maintenance in 2004.

Initial Term as approved by Council on 9/23/10: 09/30/2010-09/29/2011	\$136,230.00	\$136,230.00
Amendment No. 1: Option 1 – Extension 09/30/2011-09/29/2012	\$143,041.00	\$279,271.00
Amendment No. 2: Option 2 - Extension 09/30/2012-09/29/2013	\$150,193.00	\$429,464.00
Amendment No. 3: Option 3 - Extension 09/30/2013 – 09/29/2014	\$157,703.00	\$587,167.00
Amendment No. 4: Modification to Contract 04/07/2014-05/09/2014 for upgrade assessment services. (Administrative Increase)	\$43,401.00	\$630,568.00
Amendment No. 5: Option 4 - Extension 09/30/2014-09/29/2015	\$165,588.00	\$796,156.00
Amendment No. 6 Name Change 10/3/2014	\$ 0.00	\$796,156.00
Proposed Amendment No. 7 and Future Amendment: System Upgrade. 60 months maintenance and support services.	\$4,292,693.00	\$5,088,849.00