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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

45446

Agenda Number

23.

Meeting Date:

June 4, 2015

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month contract with AUSTIN WHITE LIME COMPANY for the supply of quicklime for Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$6,858,000, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$3,429,000 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$13,716,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$1,143,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2014 – 2015 Operating Budget of Austin Water. Funding for the remaining 20-months of the initial contract period and extension options are contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing
Language:

Sole bid received from the current provider of quicklime. The current contract expires June 20, 2015.

Prior Council
Action:



For More
Information:

Steve Aden, Purchasing Manager, 512-972-0047

Boards and
Commission
Action:

May 13, 2015 – Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a vote of 5-0 with Commissioner Moriarty and Ohueri absent.

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

The contract with Austin White Lime Company is to establish a readily available supply of quicklime to the following Austin Water Treatment Plants: Ullrich, Davis and Water Treatment Plant 4. Quicklime is used in the treatment and softening of municipal water supplies. The quicklime will be delivered to and used at the water treatment plants on an as needed basis.

The product offered complies with the American Water Works Association Standard B202, which is the standard for quicklime used in the treatment of drinking water. It also meets the National Sanitation Foundation Standard 60 which governs the use of direct and indirect additives for the treatment of drinking water.

This will replace contract GA100000044 which expires June 20, 2015.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/5

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole bid. Austin White Lime Company has been the only firm to respond to bids for this product since 2004. There are no other known suppliers that are currently able to meet the product requirement.
- b. 78 notices were sent, including three MBE and five WBE firms. Only one bid was received with no response from the MBEs/WBEs. There were three "No Bid" responses received.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 3.2% increase per line item for the last contract awarded in May 2010. Based upon the increase of 22% in the product cost based upon the Producer Price Index Industry Data, this a more than fair cost to the City.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Sole bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Water's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the internet.
- d. Quicklime is used in the water treatment process. It is necessary that this project moves forward as scheduled due to the current contract expiring on June 20, 2015.