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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

45481

Agenda Number

34.

Meeting Date:

June 4, 2015

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month supply contract with STUART C. IRBY, CO., to provide 362kV circuit breakers for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$2,780,640, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$ 1,390,320 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$6,951,600.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$463,440 is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Austin Energy Operating Budget. Funding for the remaining 20 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
Language:

Lowest bid received.

Prior Council
Action:



For More
Information:

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Boards and
Commission
Action:

May 18, 2015 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 6-0 vote with Commissioner Herbert 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 is to provide 362kV circuit breakers for Austin Energy. Circuit breakers are devices that are opened to de-energize a high-voltage transmission line or portion of a substation for construction and maintenance or during fault or outage conditions. Circuit breakers are crucial for protecting Austin Energy crews and contractors, as well as expensive substation equipment. They function to contain electric service outages by minimizing the chance that upstream equipment in the system will be forced to clear the fault.

In Fiscal Year 2013, Austin Energy purchased four 362kV circuit breakers. In Fiscal Year 2014, Austin Energy purchased six 362kV circuit breakers. Under the new contract, Austin Energy expects to purchase five 362kV circuit breakers each year.

The current contract expired on May 4, 2015. Approval of this replacement contract is requested to minimize the lapse between contracts and ensure a reliable and timely source for obtaining circuit breakers.

MBE/WBE solicited: 8/6

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB DNJ0112
362kV Circuit Breakers
(4-line items)

Vendor

Stuart C. Irby, Co.
Buda, TX

Total Bid Amount

\$1,390,320

Applebaum
El Paso, TX

\$4,072,500

A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City's Financial Services Austin Finance Online website at: http://ci.austin.tx.us/financeonline/vendor_connection/solicitation/search.cfm

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. 201 notices were sent including eight MBEs and six WBEs. Two bids were received with no response from the MBEs/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 2.96% decrease from the last contract award made September 2009.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the internet.