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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

Agenda Number

18.

Meeting Date:

October 1, 2015

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize execution of a contract with THYSSENKRUPP AIRPORT SYSTEMS, INC. to provide ground power units and a mobile trailer mounted ground power unit for mobile use in an amount not to exceed \$509,647.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2015 - 2016 Capital Budget of the Aviation Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

**Purchasing
Language:**

Sole bid received.

**Prior Council
Action:**

**For More
Information:**

Sai Purcell, Senior Buyer Specialist, 512-974-3058

**Boards and
Commission
Action:**

September 8, 2015 - Approved by Austin Airport Advisory Commission on a 6-0-3 vote with Commissioner's Legate, Sepulveda and Black 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 for the purchase of 10 passenger boarding bridge mounted ground power units (GPU) and one mobile trailer mounted GPU for Austin-Bergstrom International Airport. Ground power units are used to supply electrical auxiliary power to the aircrafts coming into the boarding bridges or ramp parking positions. If the GPU is not used, the aircraft will need to run their auxiliary engine to support the electrical needs of the aircraft. By using the GPU in lieu of running the aircraft engine, commercial airlines will reduce fuel consumption and pollution created by aircrafts.

These items will replace the existing units purchased in 1999 which have exceeded their expected life of eight years. This purchase of boarding bridge mounted GPU is a critical element of airport operations and the equipment is necessary for auxiliary electrical power needs to the aircraft during pre-flight boarding and un-boarding activities. If a ground power unit becomes inoperable, the mobile GPU equipment can be moved to any location to provide the necessary auxiliary electrical power.

MBE /WBE solicited: 9/3

MBE /WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB PAX0066-REBID

Ground Power Units and Trailer Mounted for Mobile Use

4 Line Items

Vendor

Total Bid

Thyssenkrupp Airport Systems, Inc.
Fort Worth, TX

\$509,646.60

A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City's Financial Services Austin Finance Online website at: https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor_connection/solicitation/search.cfm

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole bid received. The solicitation was originally advertised for a period of 17 days and the bid opening was extended six days in an attempt to increase vendor interest. Other vendors were contacted, but did not submit a bid.
- b. 297 notices were sent including nine MBEs and three WBEs. One bid received with no response from the MBEs/WBEs. Multiple notices may be sent to the same vendor, e.g. one company may have multiple email addresses/fax numbers listed.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Sole bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Aviation Department's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the internet.