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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

55878

Agenda Number

34.

Meeting Date:

March 31, 2016

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a contract with CHURCHILL NAVIGATION, INC. for the purchase of a mapping system for a Police Department helicopter in an amount not to exceed \$142,700.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$140,192 is available in the Austin Police Department's 2013 Justice Assistance Grant. Funding in the amount of \$2,508 is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget of the Austin Police Department.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing
Language:

Sole bid received.

Prior Council
Action:For More
Information:

Jane Neal, Buyer II, 512-974-3398

Boards and
Commission
Action:

Related Items:

MBE / WBE:

This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the goods and services required for this solicitation, there were insufficient subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.

Additional Backup Information

The contract is for the purchase of materials to equip the Austin Police Department (APD) EC120 helicopter with a mapping system for the APD Air Support Unit. The contract includes on-site training, conversion of any customer-supplied Global Information System data and a three year hardware warranty.

The mapping system will be integrated with an airborne thermal camera system for overlay capability of street names, addresses, parcel information, business names and any other data that may be necessary for the unit to obtain. The capability of accessing this data on a single display increases the unit's effectiveness and simplifies operations allowing the crew to focus on its target rather than analyzing and processing other sources of technology for mapping and location information.

This purchase of the Churchill navigation mapping system will standardize the avionics of the APD's aircraft fleet as a previously purchased helicopter was delivered with a current version of this specific equipment. The standardization of APD's fleet will streamline aircraft functionality for the unit and make the transfer of mapping equipment between aircrafts possible in the event one system malfunctions and needs to be repaired.

This purchase is needed to replace the current mapping system in the unit that is failing. Without this replacement unit, the helicopter would not have a useable mapping system and it would drastically hinder the effectiveness and police work it is used to perform.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB JCN0006

Churchill Navigation Mapping System

6 line items

Vendor

Bid Total

Churchill Navigation, Inc.
Boulder, CO

\$142,900

A complete solicitation package, including bid tabulation, is on file with the City's Purchasing Office and is available on the City's Financial Services Austin Finance Online website. Link: [Solicitation Documents](#)

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole bid. This is a very specialized product with very limited availability and few vendors who can provide it.
- b. 93 notices were sent including one MBE and there are no known WBEs for this commodity code. One bid was received with no response from the MBE. Multiple notices may be sent to the same vendor; e.g. one vendor may have multiple email addresses/fax numbers.
- 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 Austin Police Department's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the internet.

