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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

60256

Agenda Number

44.

Meeting Date:

August 4, 2016

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a contract with ENVIRONMENTAL SURVEY CONSULTING to provide berm repair, revegetation, tree removal and tree management services at the Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant in an amount not to exceed \$105,195.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Capital Budget of Austin Water.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:

The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) SMB0201 for these services on May 16, 2016, and it closed on June 9, 2016, with two offers received. The recommended offer is the lowest offer submitted by a responsible offeror. Additional information on the solicitation is included below the line.

Prior Council Action:



For More Information:

Sandy Brandt, Senior Buyer Specialist, 512-974-1783

Boards and Commission Action:

July 13, 2016 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Blanding, Parker and Penn absent.

Related Items:

MBE / WBE:

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

Additional Backup Information

The contract will provide the City with berm repair, revegetation, tree removal and tree management services at the Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant (HBBMP). The services required are to fulfill the City's compliance plan submitted in response to the Notice of Violation issued to the City by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for failure to adequately prevent the proliferation of trees on the berms of ponds located at HBBMP. Services will be conducted in accordance with the Tree Removal Plan and Vegetation Management Plan developed by an independent engineering firm. The firm evaluated the extent of trees compromising berms, identified strategies for safely removing trees while maintaining the integrity of the earthen berms and protecting migratory birds visiting the area during their nesting season.

These services will be performed in compliance with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and are approved by TCEQ. Due to the breeding season of North American migratory birds, services under the contract must occur between September 16, 2016, and March 14, 2017. If the work is not completed by March 14, 2017, the City will be unable to comply with TCEQ's Notice of Violation resulting in progressive discipline from TCEQ which includes possible fines and further enforcement actions.

BID TABULATION

IFB SMB0201

Berm Repair, Revegetation, Tree Removal/Management Services at Hornby Bend
Six line items total

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Bid</u>
Environmental Survey Consulting Austin, TX	\$105,195 Six lines bid
Integrated Environment Austin, TX	*

*Deemed non-responsive - Did not meet the requirements of the solicitation.

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