

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	72828	Agenda Number	32.
Meeting Date:	August 17, 2017			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
Authorize negotiation and execution of a 36-month contract through the State of Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative purchasing program with Level 3 Financing, Inc. to provide telecommunication and internet services for the Aviation Department, in an amount not to exceed \$384,713.				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding in the amount of \$21,373 is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget of the Aviation Department. Funding for the remaining 34 months of the original contract period and extension options are contingent upon available funding in future budgets.				
Fiscal Note				
A fiscal note is not required.				
Purchasing Language:	Multiple vendors within this cooperative purchase program were reviewed for these services. The Purchasing Office has determined this Contractor best meets the needs of the department to provide the services required at the best value for the City. The recommended Contractor is the current provider for these services.			
Prior Council Action:	[Redacted]			
For More Information:	Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@ austintexas.gov or to the buyer, Sai Xoomsai Purcell, at 512-974-3058 or Sai.Xoomsai@ austintexas.gov			
Boards and Commission Action:	July 11, 2017 – Recommended by the Airport Advisory Commission on a 7-0 vote, with Commission Members Mike Rodriguez, Dominique Bobbio, and Billy Owens absent at this vote.			
Related Items:	[Redacted]			
MBE / WBE:	This procurement 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 procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities.			
Additional Backup Information				

The contract will provide telecommunications and internet services for the Aviation Department including the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (ABIA) campus and its tenants. ABIA supports a shared tenant service business model that facilitates a variety of services delivered to airport stakeholders, including access to private branch exchange services, local dial tone, long distance, and internet services.

This contract will replace the current contract expiring in September 2017. This new contract will provide a continuity of telecommunications and internet services based on the same estimated annual service usage.

The State of Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative establishes competitively bid contracts that can be utilized by the State and other government agencies through a cooperative agreement. Cooperative agreements save taxpayer dollars by leveraging the State's volume-buying power to drive down costs on hundreds of contracts through a streamlined cooperative purchasing program.

This contract is necessary to ensure continued operation of voice and data services at ABIA. The airport and its tenants will be without voice or data (internet) services which would result in disruption of operations if this contract is not approved.