



Water & Wastewater Commission Review and Recommendation

Commission Meeting Date:	January 10, 2018
Council Meeting Date:	February 1, 2018
Department:	Purchasing
Client:	Joe Hoepken, Rick Harland, and Chris Chen
Agenda Item	
Authorize award and execution of a multi-term contract with Pure Technologies US Inc. D/B/A Wachs Water Services , to provide valve assessment services, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,752,600.	
Amount and Source of Funding	
Funding in the amount of \$233,680 available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget of Austin Water. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.	
Purchasing Language:	The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) GLB0062 for these goods. The solicitation issued on September 25, 2017 and it closed on October 26, 2017. Of the three offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the lowest responsive offer.
Prior Council Action:	N/A
Boards and Commission Action:	January 10, 2018- To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.
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 and subcontractor goals were applied to the solicitation. The recommended contractor was unable to meet some of these goals but did provide sufficient evidence of good faith efforts and the resulting contract will include 2.27% WBE participation.

The contract will provide valve assessment services to complete a physical condition assessment of Austin Water valves. The assessment will determine what specific rehabilitation repairs are needed to bring each valve to a fully operable state or which valves require replacement. The assessment and minor repairs of valves located throughout the City shall include locating, accessing, marking and exercising each valve, cleaning out the valve box or vault, global positioning system (GPS) mapping, reporting, and minor valve repairs. The contract will enable service crews to perform repairs on valves to avoid water loss.

The previous contract expired in 2015 due to department budget restriction. However, Austin Water has been able to utilize the information collected from the previous contract to locate and repair identified valves through 2016-2017 fiscal years. The requested authorization amount was determined using estimates of planned assessments and historical spend.

If the City is unable to secure a contract, the City valves could potentially not operate properly, increasing inherent risk within the water distribution system, possibly resulting in a higher number of citizens without water, increase in portable water loss and higher risk to property damage.

Contract Detail				
	Contract Term	Contract Amount	Contract Amendment	Revised Amount
Initial Term	2	\$701,040	n/a	n/a
Extension Option 1	1	\$350,520	n/a	n/a
Extension Option 2	1	\$350,520	n/a	n/a
Extension Option 3	1	\$350,520	n/a	n/a
TOTAL	5	\$1,752,600	\$-	\$-

M/WBE Summary

Participation goals stated in the solicitation were 2.94% MBE and 2.27% WBE. The recommended contractor's M/WBE Compliance Plan did not meet the goals, but submitted a Good Faith Effort with 2.27% WBE participation and was approved by the Small and Minority Business Resources Department.

NON - MBE/WBE TOTAL - PRIME **97.73%**

Pure Technologies US Inc. D/B/A Wachs Water Services

WBE TOTAL – SUBCONTRACTOR **2.27%**

(FH) Leos Service Station, LLC

(Fuel, oil, grease and lubricants)