

## AGENDA



## Recommendation for Council Action

## AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: April 12, 2018

Item Number: 016

## Purchasing Office

Authorize award and execution of a multi-term contract with H. Brown, Inc., to provide heavy hauling services, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,896,875. (Note: 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 no subcontracting opportunities identified; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

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| <b>Lead Department</b>      | Purchasing Office.   |
| <b>Fiscal Note</b>          | Funding in the amount of \$289,688 is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.  |
| <b>Purchasing Language</b>  | The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 1100 DNJ0140 for these services. The solicitation issued on June 12, 2017 and it closed on June 27, 2017. Of the two offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the only responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids received, is available for viewing on the City's Financial Services website, Austin Finance Online. Link: <a href="https://austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor_connection/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=119208">Solicitation Documents &lt;https://austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor_connection/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=119208&gt;</a> . |
| <b>For More Information</b> | Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or <a href="mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov">AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov</a> <a href="mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov">&lt;mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov&gt;</a><br>NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized  |

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|  | Contact Person: Darralyn N. Johnson, at 512-505-7293 or <a href="mailto:Darralyn.Johnson@austinenergy.com">Darralyn.Johnson@austinenergy.com</a><br><mailto:Darralyn.Johnson@austinenergy.com>. |
| <b>Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action</b> | March 19, 2018 - Recommended unanimously by the Electric Utility Commission on a 7-0 vote, with Commissioners Reel and Wray absent and two vacancies.   |
| <b>Client Department(s)</b>                            | Austin Energy.  |

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#### **Additional Backup Information:**

The contract will provide heavy equipment hauling services for Austin Energy on an as-needed basis. Services include both planned, unplanned and emergency hauling. The contractor will provide all supervision, labor, trucks, materials and traffic security services required to safely transport Austin Energy's heavy electric utility equipment. The contractor will also provide all necessary lifting and jacking equipment to safely lift, load and unload equipment at the locations designated by Austin Energy. The equipment to be transported under this contract ranges from 40,000 to 600,000 pounds and includes power transformers, switchgear, power poles and mobile substations.

The current contract will expire on May 11, 2018. The additional authority requested includes 12 to 15 upcoming projects that are projected to cost from \$45,000 to \$150,000 each, depending on the size of the unit. Also included in the request is contingency funding for unplanned and emergency use. The recommended contractor is the current provider for these services.

Without this contract, Austin Energy would be required to seek bids for these services for each occurrence, which would negatively impact restoration of electric service to customers and the ability to maintain electric infrastructure throughout the service territory.

#### **Contract Detail:**

| <b>Contract Term</b> | <b>Length</b> | <b>Contract of Term Authorization</b> |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| Initial Term         | 2 yrs.        | \$1,158,750                           |
| Optional Extension 1 | 1 yr.         | \$ 579,375                            |
| Optional Extension 2 | 1 yr.         | \$ 579,375                            |
| Optional Extension 3 | 1 yr.         | \$ 579,375                            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>         | <b>5 yrs.</b> | <b>\$2,896,875</b>                    |

**Note:**Contract Authorization amounts are based on the City's estimated annual usage.