

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: October 18, 2018

Item Number: 024

Purchasing Office

Authorize award and execution of a multi-term contract with Techline Inc., to provide underground power cable, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$969,300. (Note: 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 required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department	Purchasing Office.
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$193,860 is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. 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) 1100 DNJ0153REBID for these goods. The solicitation issued on June 11, 2018 and it closed on July 3, 2018. Of the four offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the lowest 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: Solicitation Documents <https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=126072> .
For More Information	Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov <mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov> NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives,

	shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: Annie Atwood, at 512-322-6472 or Annie.Atwood@austinenergy.com .
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action	September 17, 2018 - Recommended unanimously by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote, with Commissioners Vaughn and Wray absent and one vacancy.
Client Department(s)	Austin Energy.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide Austin Energy with a reliable supply of underground power cable to support planned projects and critical operational needs. The power cable will be used to extend bus-ties and to establish ties between power transformers located in substations. In emergency situations, the power cable will also be used as replacement cable in the event of power cable failure in order to restore power and to maintain system reliability. It is also required for the new downtown substation scheduled to go online in 2020.

Austin Energy has purchased this item in the past through spot purchases. This contract will provide a more reliable and economical method of obtaining the underground power cable necessary to meet immediate needs and planned projects.

Contract Detail:

Contract Term	Length	Contract of Term Authorization
Initial Term	2 yrs.	\$387,720
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$193,860
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$193,860
Optional Extension 3	1 yr.	\$193,860
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$969,300

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