

# AGENDA



## Recommendation for Council Action

### AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: November 1, 2018

Item Number: 019

#### Purchasing Office

Authorize award and execution of a multi-term contract with Paradigm Traffic Systems, Inc., to provide traffic signal backup batteries, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$500,000. (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).

<b>Lead Department</b>	Purchasing Office.
<b>Fiscal Note</b>	Funding in the amount of \$100,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget of the Austin Transportation Department. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.
<b>Purchasing Language</b>	The Purchasing Office issued Invitation for Bids (IFB) 2400 JRH1002 for these goods. The solicitation issued on May 21, 2018 and it closed on June 7, 2018. Of the 11 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: <a href="https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=125751">Solicitation Documents</a> < <a href="https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=125751">https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=125751</a> >.
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<b>Client Department(s)</b>	Austin Transportation Department.

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### **Additional Backup Information:**

The contract is for the purchase of batteries for traffic signal backup systems. Since 2011, the City has installed battery backup systems at approximately 500 traffic signals throughout the City. The traffic signal battery backup systems allow for, in the event of a power outage, the ability for traffic signals to switch to battery power and continue to operate until grid power is restored. This helps to relieve traffic congestion, and helps with emergency medical service and police response during emergencies. The batteries in these systems are reaching the end of their usable life and need to be replaced in the next few years to ensure continued operation of the battery backup systems during power failures.

This is the first contract for this type of battery. The current batteries were included in the original purchase of the actual battery backup systems. Quantities in the contract were estimated by staff to replace all existing batteries over the life of the contract.

### **Contract Detail:**

<b>Contract Term</b>	<b>Length</b>	<b>Contract of Term Authorization</b>
Initial Term	3 yr.	\$300,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$100,000
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$100,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5 yrs.</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>

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