

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: December 13, 2018

Item Number: 030

Purchasing Office

Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract with Powell Electrical Systems, Inc., to provide indoor arc-resistant switchgear, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$22,000,000. (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).

Lead Department	Purchasing Office.
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$3,300,000 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 a Request for Proposals (RFP) 1100 CAK3001 for these goods. The solicitation issued on July 23, 2018 and it closed on September 6, 2018. The recommended contractor submitted the only responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a log of offer 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=126011 >.
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: Terry V. Nicholson, at 512-322-6586 or Terry.Nicholson@austinenergy.com <mailto:Terry.Nicholson@austinenergy.com>.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action	November 19, 2018 - Recommended unanimously by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote, with Commissioners Osborne and Wray absent, and one vacancy.
Client Department(s)	Austin Energy.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide Austin Energy with indoor arc-resistant switchgear to be used, as required, in substations to replace units at end of life, as well as upgrades and additions to serve customers. The switchgear, which is housed in a walk-in enclosure, maintains the safety and reliability of the electrical grid by performing switching and protection functions in the substations. The arc-resistant design vents heat and high-pressure gases in the event of a fault to provide increased protection for Austin Energy personnel, contractors, and downstream equipment.

The prior contract expired in August of 2018 and the authority requested is based on planned Capital Improvement Program projects for the next five years.

An evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the offers and scored Powell Electrical Systems, Inc. as the best to provide these services based on technical concept and solution and program proposed, demonstrated applicable experience and personnel qualifications, lead time, local business presence and service-disabled veteran business enterprise preference.

Contract Detail:

Contract Term	Length	Contract of Term Authorization
Initial Term	1 yr.	\$ 4,400,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$ 4,400,000
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$ 4,400,000
Optional Extension 3	1 yr.	\$ 4,400,000
Optional Extension 4	1 yr.	\$ 4,400,000

TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$22,000,000
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Note:Contract Authorization amounts are based on the City's estimated annual usage.