



**Purchasing Supply Agreement
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a 12-month supply agreement with NATIONAL WATERWORKS, INC., Austin, TX, for fire hydrant parts in an amount not to exceed \$66,163.95, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$66,163.95 per extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$198,491.85.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$11,027 is available in Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Approved Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 10 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Purchasing **DIRECTOR'S**
DEPARTMENT:for Austin Water Utility; **AUTHORIZATION:** Vickie Schubert

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen T. Aden, Supervising Senior Buyer, 974-2021.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Lowest bid of three bids received.

MBE / WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9 of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This 12-month supply agreement is for the purchase of fire hydrant parts for the Austin Water Utility. Parts will be purchased and placed in inventory at the Utility's Webberville Center and Field Operations. The inventory will provide the maintenance crews with a readily available supply of parts for routine maintenance and emergency repair of fire hydrants located throughout the City.

MBE/WBE Sent: 0/0

MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0



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**BID TABULATION
FIRE HYDRANT PARTS
(31 Line Items)
IFB No. SA04100046**

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>TOTAL COST</u>
National Waterworks Inc. Austin, TX	\$66,163.95
Hughes Supply Inc. Austin, TX	\$83,984.50*
Quality Hydrant Co. Vidor, TX	\$9,370.00*

*Non-responsive - did not bid all items as required by the solicitation.

A complete bid tabulation is available in the Purchasing Office.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- Adequate competition.
- Fourteen notices were sent. There were no MBE/WBE firms listed under this commodity. Four solicitations were issued and three bids were received.
- The current pricing represents a 20% increase from the last purchase made July 2003. This can be attributed to the rising cost of iron and other metals. The previous contractor was unable to extend the existing contract due to the increase in costs for iron and steel.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- Low Bidder.
- The Austin Water Utility concurs with the recommendation.
- Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and Internet.