



**Purchasing Contract  
CITY OF AUSTIN  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**AGENDA ITEM NO.:** 27  
**AGENDA DATE:** Thu 08/12/2004  
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**SUBJECT:** Authorize execution of a contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) with RDO EQUIPMENT CO., Pflugerville, TX, for a tractor/loader/backhoe for Public Works Department in an amount not to exceed \$86,278.70.

**AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Amended Capital Budget of the Transportation, Planning and Sustainability Department.

**FISCAL NOTE:** A fiscal note is attached.

**REQUESTING** Purchasing  
**DEPARTMENT:** for Public Works;  
Transportation, Planning and  
Sustainability;

**DIRECTOR'S  
AUTHORIZATION:** Vickie Schubert

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rick Fudge, Supervising Sr. Buyer/974-2033

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** N/A

**BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:** N/A

**PURCHASING:** Purchasing Cooperative.

**MBE / WBE:** N/A

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This contract is for the purchase of one tractor/loader/backhoe manufactured by John Deere equipped with a hydraulically driven breaker that can be quickly removed and replaced with a 24-inch backhoe bucket. The front loader bucket is a 4-N-1 type bucket with a 1.5 cubic yard capacity. The front bucket can be used four different ways: 1) Regular bucket to scoop loose material, 2) Clam shell-type with a top and bottom fully closeable bucket, 3) Push-type bucket to be used like a dozer blade, and 4) Scraper blade to scrape the surface to make it smooth and level. This equipment will be assigned to Public Works Department, Street and Bridge Division to support a new 7-person concrete crew needed to expedite concrete sidewalk improvements throughout the City to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements.

The majority of the work assigned to the new crew involves pouring new concrete sidewalks, installing new concrete curb/gutter, as well as installing new concrete ramps for wheelchair access. The tractor/loader/backhoe is a new equipment purchase necessary to support this crew by being available during all available work hours. This purchase will assist Public Works in meeting two goals: 1) to expedite the installation of concrete sidewalks, curb/gutter, and wheelchair ramps; 2) to reduce the construction cost by having this work done by City crews rather than an outside contractor.

The equipment operates on diesel fuel. The federal Environmental Protection Agency has no guidelines for emissions for off-road equipment. The City is buying TxLED ultra low sulfur diesel through a State purchase order with the lowest sulfur content available on the market. There are no alternative fuel options for this application.

RDO Equipment is under contract with BuyBoard to supply this type of equipment statewide as a result of



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a competitive bidding process. Utilizing BuyBoard contracts provides for volume discount pricing, as well as the earliest opportunity to get the City's equipment on order.

## CIP BUDGET FISCAL NOTE

**DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

12-Aug-04

**WHERE ON AGENDA:**

Resolution not required

**DEPARTMENT:**

Transportation Planning and Sustainability

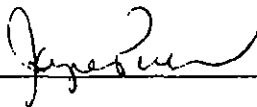
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### FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Project Name:	Pedestrian Sub \$5.0M of \$18.2M (Parent account)
Project Authorization:	2003-2004 Amended Capital Budget
Funding Source:	1998 General Obligation Bonds, P1
Fund/Agency/Orgn:	8780-607-2129 (PEDS)

Total Current Appropriation	\$3,180,553.00
Unencumbered Balance	\$975,884.70
Amount of this Action	<u>(\$86,278.70)</u>
Estimated Available	<u><u>\$889,606.00</u></u>

Financial Approval: \_\_\_\_\_



Date: 07/21/04