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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a contract with PAMPERED LAWNS AUSTIN INC., Austin, TX, for the clearing of selected woody vegetation from tracts within the Water Quality Protection Lands for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$82,325.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding is available in Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Approved Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

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 four 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 contract is for the clearing of vegetation at the Water Quality Protection Lands for the Austin Water Utility. Work will be completed on approximately 175 acres at the Tabor/Reavley Tract and 114 acres at the Parkhouse Tract. Work will consist of clearing, cutting, shredding, and removing specific Ash Junipers (cedar) from the area.

The work required under this contract is part of the Land Management Plan approved by City Council in 2000.

MBE/WBE bid: 1/0 MBE/WBE solicited: 19/6

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BID TABULATION IFB# SA05300061

Clearing of Selected Woody Vegetation from Parkhouse and Tabor/Reavley Tracts (2 Line Items)

<u>VENDOR</u> Pampered Lawns, Austin Inc. Austin, TX	Tabor/Reavely Tracts Total Price \$48,125.00	Parkhouse <u>Tract Total Price</u> \$34,200.00	TOTAL BID \$82,325.00
Hill Country Fence Spicewood TX	\$67,499.99	\$45,001.14	\$112,501.12
Salas Constructor, Inc. (MBE/MH) Buda, TX	\$87,500.00	\$57,000.00	\$144,500.00
Red & White Greenery Georgetown, TX	\$245,000.00	\$216,600.00	\$461,600.00

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Ninety-nine notices were issued including 19 MBE and 6 WBE firms. Eight solicitations were issued including 2 MBE's. Four bids were received including one MBE. There were two "No Bid" responses.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 13% decrease per/acre from the pricing from a similar contract awarded August 2004. This decrease can be contributed to a larger amount of acreage to be cleared.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Low bidder.
- b. Austin Water Utility concurs with the recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and Internet.

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