



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

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a contract with HILL COUNTRY FENCE, INC., Spicewood, TX, for the clearing of selected woody vegetation for Areas 2 and 3 within the Water Quality Protection Lands for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$48,835.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 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 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 contract is for the clearing of vegetation for Areas 2 and 3 at the Water Quality Protection Lands within the Onion Creek Management Unit for the Austin Water Utility. Work will be completed on approximately 316 acres at the Lloyd Tracts. 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 the year 2000.

MBE/WBE solicited: 10/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0



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BID TABULATION

IFB No. SA06300031

**Clearing of Selected Woody Vegetation in Lloyd Tracts
(3 Areas)**

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>AREA 1</u>	<u>AREA 2</u>	<u>AREA 3</u>	<u>TOTAL AWARD</u>
Hill Country Fence, Inc. Spicewood, TX	\$49,848	\$32,670	\$16,165	\$48,835
Pampered Lawns of Austin, Inc. Austin, TX	\$40,200	\$36,000	\$18,300	\$40,200*
Travis Paving & Excavation Co. Bastrop, TX	\$131,000	\$122,500	\$115,200	

***Administrative award for Area 1.**

Award was based on the lowest bid for each of the three areas.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- Adequate competition.**
- Twenty-six notices were issued including 10 MBE firms. There were no WBE firms listed. Four solicitations were issued including one MBE. Three bids were received, none of which were MBE or WBE firms.**
- The bid pricing offered reflects no change in pricing since the last contract award in September 2005.**

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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