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Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No. 23

Subject: Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements supply contract with PLANT EQUIPMENT & SERVICE, INC, Bryan, TX for the purchase of epoxy cement manhole seal surface kits for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$118,200, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$73,875 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$265,950

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$54,175 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining 13 months of the initial 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.



For More Information: Stephen Aden, Supervising Senior Buyer, 974-2021

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid meeting specifications of two bids received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D 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 to supply an estimated 600 epoxy cement manhole seal surface kits per year for the Austin Water Utility. The manhole epoxy kits will be delivered to Central Stores Warehouse and will be used by utility crews to adhere the manhole castings to the manholes. This product has been tested and approved for use by utility crews.

MBE/WBE solicited. 2/1 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS a. Adequate competition. b. Fifty notices were sent, including two MBEs and one WBE Five solicitations were issued. Two bids were received with no response from the MBE/WBE. One "No Bid" was received. c. The pricing offered represents a 17% increase to the last contract award in August 2005 This can be attributed to the rising cost in transportation and petroleum products.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION a. Lowest bidder meeting specifications b The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award c Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and the Internet

BID TABULATION IFB NO. SA06100110 1,200 Epoxy Cement Manhole Seal Surface Kits

VENDOR	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL BID
Plant Equipment and Service, Inc. Bryan, TX	\$98.50	\$118,200.00
Superior Environmental Addison, TX	\$70 00*	\$84,000.00

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*Did not meet specifications. The product offered by the bidder was not equal to the product required by the solicitation.