

## A G E N D A



Thursday, February 4, 2010

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**
**Item No. 21**

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a contract with MOTION INDUSTRIES, INC., Pflugerville, TX for the purchase of SEW-Eurodrive brand gear boxes for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$89,994.59.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$89,994.59 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

**Fiscal Note:** A fiscal note is attached.

**For More Information:** Roy Rivers, Buyer II / 974-2596

**Purchasing Language:** Lowest bid of eight 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.

**Boards and Commission Action:** Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

This contract is for the purchase of 41 replacement SEW-Eurodrive gear boxes needed to replace failing equipment within the Davis Water Treatment facility. These gear boxes are needed to physically rotate the flocculator paddle shafts that slowly turn to gently mix in lime and other coagulants necessary in the water treatment process. The flocculator paddle shafts were recently replaced; therefore, these gear boxes are needed to ensure protection of the newly-installed shafts from damage due to failure of the aging drive mechanisms.

The flocculator system operates 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. The only down-time for this equipment is during annual winter maintenance. Failure of one or more shaft systems could impact the plant capacity by having to place one or more of the nine total basins (six shafts per basin) out of service for repairs.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0      MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Twelve notices were sent. There are no known MBE/WBEs available for this commodity. Eight bids were received.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Lowest bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.