

## AGENDA



Thursday, May 27, 2010

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Item No. 46

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of five 12-month requirements service contracts with RED & WHITE GREENERY, INC., Georgetown, TX., PAMPERED LAWNS AUSTIN, INC., Austin, TX., MALDONADO NURSERY & LANDSCAPE, INC., San Antonio, TX., ECOSTAR LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT, Del Valle, TX., and FRANK RINGER & ASSOCIATES, Austin, TX for grounds maintenance mowing services, in estimated amounts not exceed \$50,593, \$114,267, \$74,157, \$21,324, and \$14,349 respectively, with five 12-month extension options for each contract in estimated amounts not to exceed \$50,593, \$114,267, \$74,157, \$21,324, and \$14,349 respectively per extension option, for total estimated contract amounts not to exceed \$303,558, \$685,602, \$444,942, \$127,944, and \$86,094 respectively.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$109,875 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department. Funding for the remaining eight months of the original 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:** Cruz Banda, Buyer II/974-2133

**Purchasing Language:** Best evaluated bids of 18 bids received.

**MBE/WBE:** This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C 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.

These contracts are for landscape maintenance services for the Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) on approximately 788 acres of parks, recreation centers, and other public property throughout the City. The Parks and Recreation Department divided the acreage into 10 zones to increase competition and to insure adequate coverage could be maintained by a single Contractor in each zone.

The Contractors will be responsible for mowing, edging, and trash pick-up around all park areas listed in each zone. All contractors will provide their own equipment to perform the work. The Contractors and PARD will meet to schedule the cycle of services and ensure Ozone Action Days are adhered to.

As part of the City's Responsible (Green) Purchasing Program, and in order to determine the best value to the City, bid evaluation criteria included cost, a list of alternative fuel equipment that will be used on City property, and documented knowledge of landscaping best practices that reduce green-house gas emissions and water use. Additionally, this contract represents an implementation of landscaping best practices and a scope of work ensuring that hazardous chemicals are avoided and not allowed to pollute the City's waterways and watershed.

MBE/WBE solicited: 22/5

MBE/WBE bid: 3/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. One hundred and fifty-one notices were sent including 22 MBEs and five WBEs. Eighteen bids were received, three of which were from MBEs. There was no response from the WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 9% decrease from the contracts awarded in December 2006.

#### APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best evaluated bids received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Parks and Recreation Department's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and the Internet.