

AGENDA



Thursday, June 10, 2010

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 22**

Subject: Authorize ratification of an amendment to increase the contract with AMERICAN EUROCOPTER, Grand Prairie, TX for repairs made to the Austin Police Department's EC 120b helicopter main gearbox in a total revised amount not to exceed \$73,094.90.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of the Austin Police Department.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Sydney Ceder, Sr. Buyer/974 2035

Purchasing Language: Contract Amendment.

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.

The Austin Police Department's 2001 American Eurocopter EC 120b helicopter Main Gearbox (MGB), or transmission, has a Service Life Limit (SLL) established by the Federal Aviation Administration and must be overhauled prior to 3400 hours. This normal overhaul process was estimated to take between 90-180 days which would disrupt/ground the operations of the Air Support Unit of APD.

A quote was requested and accepted for a zero Turn Around Time program quote for the exchange of the MGB. This exchange process allows the vendor to take one of its overhauled units to be installed in the APD helicopter while repairs were performed on the City MGB. This is the most reasonable option in avoiding extended periods of downtime and having public services uninterrupted. With this type of exchange program, the City agrees to have its gearbox overhauled to current standards paying the total cost for the work performed and parts used. The original quote of \$28,325 covered the base cost associated with the overhaul of the MGB and assumed that no parts needed to be replaced. Upon further repair work of the MGB, the Contractor determined that other parts needed to be replaced at this time.