

AGENDA



Thursday, August 5, 2010

**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 18**

Subject: Authorize award and execution of two 24-month requirements supply contracts for the purchase of 15kV padmount switchgear for Austin Energy with: KBS ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS, Austin, TX, in an estimated amount not to exceed \$739,982, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$369,991 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,849,955; and with POWELL ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS, INC., North Canton, OH, in an estimated amount not to exceed \$540,928, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$270,464 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,352,320.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$106,743 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 22 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: Gabriel Guerrero, Buyer II/322-6060

Purchasing Language: Lowest bids of four 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 Electric Utility Commission.

This contract will provide for the supply of three different models of 15kV padmount switchgear for Austin Energy (AE). These switchgear will be used to replenish stock at Austin Energy's Decker steel yard warehouse for immediate issue to construction crews on an as-needed basis.

These switchgear are produced as a completely self-contained package allowing automatic switching between two electrical circuits providing service to critical customer loads.

This type of equipment is required for certain customers that must have minimal delay to restore power in the event of electrical service interruption.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 11/2

MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. One hundred nineteen notices were sent, including 11 MBEs and two WBEs. Four bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bids received.

- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.