

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	57817	Agenda Number	21.				
Meeting Date:	May 19, 2016								
Department:	Purc	hasing							

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of three 24-month contracts with SAFWAY HOLDINGS, BRACE INDUSTRIES LLC, and TRAVIS INDUSTRIES, LLC, for scaffolding services in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 each and combined, with two 24-month extension options in the amount of \$375,000 each and combined, for a total contract not to exceed \$1,500,000 each and combined.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$125,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 20 months of the original contract periods and extension options are contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

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Fiscal Note							
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.							
Purchasing Language:	The Purchasing Office issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) NST0407REBID for these goods and services on December 7, 2015 and it closed on January 5, 2016 with three offers received. The recommended offers are the best evaluated offers submitted by responsible offerors. Additional information on the solicitation is included below. Safway Holdings and Brace Industries LLC are current providers for these goods and services, Travis Industries, LLC is not.						
Prior Council Action:							
For More Information:	Cheryl Kaufman, Senior Buyer, 512-505-3545						
Boards and Commission Action:	April 18, 2016 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 10-0 vote with Commissioner Wray off the dais.						
Related Items:							
MBE / WBE:	This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the goods and services required for this solicitation, there were insufficient subcontracting opportunities; therefore no subcontracting goals were established.						
Additional Backup Information							

The contracts provide labor, material, and expertise for the erection of scaffolding to facilitate maintenance activities at Austin Energy power plants and facilities. Scaffolding is used on an as-needed basis to safely access equipment for maintenance. Much of the equipment at the power plants such as boilers have components which are over 100 feet above ground and can only be safely accessed for maintenance with scaffolding. Multiple contractors are required to ensure competitive pricing, timely response, and expertise. As scaffolding needs or projects are identified, each contractor will be given the opportunity to submit pricing. The contractor submitting the lowest quote which meets the schedule and other requirements of the individual project will be awarded the work.

An evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the offers and scored Safway Holdings, Brace Industries, LLC and Travis Industries, LLC as the best vendors to provide these services based technical solution and program, experience and qualifications, safety, total evaluated cost, and local business presence.

This request allows for the development of contracts with qualified offerors selected by Council. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating satisfactory contracts with the selected offeror(s), negotiations will cease with the provider(s).

SAFWAY HOLDINGS, BRACE INDUSTRIES LLC, TRAVIS INDUSTRIES LLC										
	# months	Contract Amount		Contract Amendment	Revised Amount					
Original Term	12	\$	750,000	n/a	n/a					
Extension Option 1	24	\$	375,000	n/a	n/a					
Extension Option 2	24	\$	375,000	n/a	n/a					
TOTAL	60	\$	1,500,000	\$ -	\$ -					
		Each and Combined								

A complete solicitation package, including a response list, is on file in the City's Purchasing Office and is available on the City's Financial Services Austin Finance Online website. Link: Solicitation Documents