

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	57823	Agenda Number	24.
Meeting Date:		May 19, 2016			
Department:		Purchasing			
Subject					
Authorize negotiation and execution of a 72-month contract with MPR ASSOCIATES INC, or one of the other qualified offerors to Request For Proposals NST0412, to provide power plant field technical services in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.					
Amount and Source of Funding					
Funding in the amount of \$277,778 is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 66 months of the original contract period are contingent upon available funding in future budgets.					
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) NST0412 for these goods and services on December 21, 2015 and it closed on January 20, 2016 with four offers received. The recommended offer is the best evaluated offer submitted by a responsible offeror. Additional information on the solicitation is included below the line.				
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 10-0-1 vote with Commissioner Biedrzycki abstaining.				
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 insufficient number of certified M/WBEs; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.				

### Additional Backup Information

The contract provides Austin Energy power plant staff with access to technical consulting services to support maintenance and operations activities. The complexity of power plant equipment and systems requires that power plant staff have access to specialists with specific, applicable technical knowledge and skills which will result in improved equipment reliability. This contract will cover technical support for all plant equipment and systems including: gas turbines, steam turbines, utility scale boilers, heat recovery steam generators, large pumps and motors, step-up and auxiliary transformers, electrical switchgear, protective relays, cooling towers, water treatment systems, water chemistry, and industrial chillers.

An evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the offers and scored MPR Associates, Inc. as the best to provide these services based on their technical solution and program, experience and qualifications, cost, and local business presence.

This request allows for the development of a contract with a qualified offeror selected by Council. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory contract with the selected offeror, negotiations will cease and staff will return to Council so that another qualified offeror may be selected.

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](#)