

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

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74153

Agenda Number

35.

Meeting Date:

September 28, 2017

Department:

Purchasing

## Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of various cooperative contracts during Fiscal Year 2017-2018 through the State of Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative purchasing program for the purchase of computer, network and other technology hardware, software and related maintenance and technology services, for a total amount not to exceed \$65,733,000.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$37,597,252 is available in Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budgets of various City departments. Funding in the amount of \$27,409,021 is available in Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Capital Budgets of various City departments. Funding in the amount of \$256,000 is available in the Municipal Court Technology Fund. Funding in the amount of \$470,000 is available from other funding sources.

## Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

**Purchasing Language:**

The State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) contracts are Cooperative contracts solicited by the State of Texas specific to Information Technology items and services. When a need is determined, Purchasing Office staff will review quotes from multiple vendors with DIR contracts to ensure the best value for the City. Best value evaluations will include prices as well as local presence and MBE /WBE inclusion.

**Prior Council Action:**

**For More Information:**

Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@ austintexas.gov or to the buyer, Jim Howard, at 512-974-2031 or Jim.Howard@ austintexas.gov

**Boards and Commission Action:**

August 14, 2017 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 6-1 vote, with Commissioner Boyle against, Commissioner Osborne abstaining, Commissioners Stout and Zell absent and one vacancy.  
September 13, 2017 – Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 10-0 vote, with Commissioner Blanding absent.

**Related Items:**

**MBE / WBE:**

These contracts will be awarded by a cooperative purchase agreement with the State of Texas Department Information Resources in accordance with Chapter 2054 of the Texas Government Code. SMBR will review individual procurements using these agreements for potential subcontracting opportunities.

**Additional Backup Information**

The authorization is to enable City departments to purchase the following through contracts solicited by the State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR).

- Various computer, network and other technology hardware products and hardware maintenance including but not limited to desktop personal computers, laptop computers, servers, data storage systems, and storage area networks. This authorization will also include networking products and maintenance services for the City's local and wide area networks and networking devices such as switches, routers, and other equipment used to interconnect desktop computers, servers, and printers throughout the City and to transmit and receive information via the internet.
- Software and software maintenance and support.
- Technology consulting, technical training, information resources technology services and technology staffing.

This aggregated request for authorization goes before Council annually at the end of each fiscal year. The spending authority does not carry over from year to year. The current DIR authority will expire October 1, 2017. Without new authorization in place, it will be very difficult for departments to purchase technology goods and services in an efficient manner, in turn leading to potential delays in the ability to provide needed services to citizens. Bringing forward all the requests for authorization at one time greatly reduces the number of individual Recommendations for Council Actions and significantly reduces the workloads of all staff involved.

DIR has continued to provide additional products and services through its cooperative purchasing program at competitively bid prices. The purchasing power of the State is used to leverage purchasing effectiveness. This spending authority request includes specifically identified technology needs as well as anticipated technology purchases that have been budgeted, but which are as yet unspecified.

Some of the significant planned purchases for 2017-2018 through this cooperative include:

- Austin Water hardware and equipment
- Citywide contractual hardware maintenance
- Citywide contractual software maintenance
- Austin Energy data storage
- Communications and Technology Management (CTM) and Combined Transportation, Emergency and Communications Center (CTECC) and airport critical technology replacement
- CTM hardware and equipment for the relocation of the City's main Data Center
- Austin Energy software for security products and enterprise tools
- Austin Water software for Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA), Laboratory Information Management Systems (LIMS), and Geographic Information System (GIS)
- Austin Energy information technology staffing services for operations and projects
- Austin Energy consulting for security system upgrades
- Austin Energy technical programming services for enterprise application support, mobility, GIS, project management, asset management, and financial management
- CTM staff augmentation for Help Desk, Application Management and Data Automation, Maximo implementation, and other projects and operational needs
- CTM Information technology security related software

All items represented in this request have either been approved through the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budgeting process or through prior approved capital improvement project budgets (including IT Governance approved projects). In addition, all technology purchases are reviewed for compliance with the City's technical and security standards and all contracts in excess of the City Managers administrative authority are sent to the Small and Minority Business Resource Department for a goal determination.