

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting : February 1, 2018

Item Number: 052

Purchasing Office

Authorize award and execution of a multi-term contract with Badger Meter, Inc. D/B/A National Meter & Automation, to provide cold water meters, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$565,000. (Note: This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the goods required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

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| Lead Department | Purchasing Office. |
| Fiscal Note | Funding in the amount of \$75,333 available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget of Austin Water. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets. |
| Purchasing Language | The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 2200 GLB0063 for these goods. The solicitation issued on October 16, 2017 and it closed on November 7, 2017. Of the two offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the only responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids received, is available for viewing on the City's Financial Services website, Austin Finance Online. Link: Solicitation Documents <https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor_connection/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=120068> . |
| For More Information | Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov <mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov> NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized |

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| | Contact Persons: Georgia Billela, at 512-974-2939 or Georgia.billela@austintexas.gov or Matthew Duree, at 512-974-6346 or Matt.duree@austintexas.gov . |
| Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action | January 10, 2018 - Unanimously recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 7-0 vote, with Commissioners Parton, Moriarty, Kellough and Bell absent. |
| Client Department(s) | Austin Water. |

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for the supply of cold water meters for Austin Water (AW). The line maintenance, construction, and field services divisions use these meters in water services installation and replacements of broken meters. These water meters are necessary to meter usage and flow within the City's water distribution system. The meters are for both potable and non-potable water.

This contract will allow AW to pivot to Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) capable technology once the AMI meter specifications have been established. AMI meters will replace mechanical customer water meters with electronic water meters that are connected to a wireless network.

This contract will also allow the addition of seven reclaimed water meters to the current inventory system. These items are managed in inventory within AW's warehouse operations and are only ordered based on demand from the field.

The contract will replace a contract which expired on December 31, 2017. The requested authorization amounts for the contract were determined using departmental estimates and historical spend. The variable demand of required meters and the lead time to receive the necessary items makes it essential to maintain stock in the warehouse.

If the City is unable to secure a contract, the City water meters could potentially provide incorrect usage or flow and impact the City's ability to provide water to the citizens of Austin.

Contract Detail

| | <u>Contract Term</u> | <u>Contract Amount</u> | <u>Contract Amendment</u> | <u>Revised Amount</u> |
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| Initial Term | 2 | \$226,000 | n/a | n/a |
| Extension Option 1 | 1 | \$113,000 | n/a | n/a |
| Extension Option 2 | 1 | \$113,000 | n/a | n/a |
| Extension Option 3 | 1 | \$113,000 | n/a | n/a |
| TOTAL | 5 | \$565,000 | \$ - | \$ - |

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