Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: March 22, 2018 Item Number: 025

Purchasing Office

Authorize an amendment to an existing contract with GE Intelligent Platforms, Inc., to provide continued software licensing and technical support, extending the term by two years, and increasing the amount by \$176,811, for a revised contract amount not to exceed \$510,328. (Note: Sole source contracts are exempt from City Code Chapter 2-9C of the Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department	Purchasing Office.				
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$88,406 is 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	Contract Amendment.				
Prior Council Action	August 20, 2015 - approved original contract, item #40.				
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Client Department(s)	Austin Water.
	Austin Water.

Additional Backup Information:

The amendment is for technical support, maintenance and license renewals for General Electric (GE) Proficy Globalcare software. This software is used in the daily operations of Austin Water treatment facilities including treatment plants, water distribution facilities and wastewater collection facilities. This software is part of the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system required to monitor and control the process equipment at these facilities. It is a critical system for Austin Water operations and is used 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

This software is highly specialized, proprietary and is necessary for operation of the SCADA system. GE Intelligent Platforms, Inc. owns the intellectual property of this software and does not have any resellers or allow others to provide associated services to users.

This amendment is necessary to continue to provide support to this software. A longer term amendment was not pursued given rapidly changing technology in this area.

This amendment represents a decrease in annual cost from \$95,327 to \$88,406. Continued licensing and maintenance of this software is critical to supporting Austin Water's key daily operations.

Contract Detail:

		Currer	nt Requ	iested	Revised
Contract	Length	Contract	Additional	Total	
<u>Term</u>	of Term	Authorization	Authorizatio	n Authorization	
Initial Term	1 year	\$ 93,639		\$ 93,63	9
Extension Option 1	1 year	\$ 92,551		\$ 92,55	1
Extension Option 2	1 year	\$ 95,327		\$ 95,32	7
Contract Amendment	3 months	\$ 31,0	00		\$ 31,000
Contract Amendment		\$ 21,0	00		\$ 21,000
Proposed Amendment	2 years		\$176,811	\$176,83	11
TOTALS	5 years, 3 n	nonths \$335,5	517 \$176	,811	\$510,328

Note: Contract Authorization amounts are based on the City's estimated annual usage.