

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: March 22, 2018

Item Number: 028

Purchasing Office

Authorize award and execution of a multi-term contract with Tyr Tactical, LLC, to provide tactical carrier vests, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$500,000. (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).

Lead Department	Purchasing Office.
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$35,263 is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Operating Budget of the Austin Police Department. 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) 8700 MHJ0210 for these goods. The solicitation issued on August 14, 2017 and it closed on September 7, 2017. Of the five offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the lowest 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.ci.austin.tx.us/financeonline/vendor_connection/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=119648> .
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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Client Department(s)	Austin Police Department.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for the purchase of multi-piece tactical carrier vests with accessories for the Austin Police Department's (APD) Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) and Organized Crime Division (OCD), to replace existing vests that will be expiring between 2018 - 2022.

The tactical carrier vests being purchased have a multi-platform modular design which allows APD officers to change and adapt the vest with minimal effort and maximum efficiency, while still providing ballistic bicep, neck, groin, and torso coverage. The officers will be able to configure the vest depending on the environment, threat, and operational requirement. The vest has antimicrobial spacer mesh and padding which makes it breathable and more comfortable during the summer months and can be scaled down to a plate carrier if required.

The contract replaces a contract which expired on November 20, 2017. The requested authorization amount was determined using the current inventory of vests and their expiration as well as estimates of future requirements. The initial term is higher to account for a large number of vests expiring over the first two years of the contract.

Failure to approve this contract could result in SWAT and OCD not having the appropriate equipment in the field for tactical operations.

Contract Detail:

Contract Term	Length	Contract of Term Authorization
Initial Term	2 yrs.	\$300,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$ 66,667
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$ 66,667
Optional Extension 3	1 yr.	\$ 66,666
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$500,000

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