

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: May 10, 2018

Item Number: **038**

Purchasing Office

Authorize award and execution of a contract with Techline, Inc. to provide metering current transformers in an amount not to exceed \$69,228. (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 is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.
Purchasing Language	The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 1100 DNJ0145 for these goods. The solicitation issued on October 16, 2017 and it closed on October 31, 2017. Of the six 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.austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor_connection/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=121889> .
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 Contact Person: Darralyn N. Johnson, at 512-505-7293 or Darralyn.Johnson@austinenergy.com < mailto:Darralyn.Johnson@austinenergy.com >.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action	April 16, 2018 - Recommended unanimously by the Electric Utility Commission on a 7-0 vote, with Vice Chair Hadden and Commissioner Reel absent and two vacancies.
Client Department(s)	Austin Energy.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide nine metering current transformers (CTs) for Austin Energy's Sand Hill Substation. CT devices are used to monitor current levels in the operation of the power grid, per Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) requirements. When required, the metering CT scales large alternating currents to small alternating currents, which is then measured by an external metering device.

The nine CTs in service now are at the end of their service life. If the CTs are not replaced, current measuring and monitoring may not be available at the Sand Hill Substation, resulting in non-compliance with ERCOT requirements.