Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: August 9, 2018 Item Number: 035

Purchasing Office

Authorize award and execution of a contract with Texian Geospatial and Asset Solutions, LLC, to provide global positioning system equipment, in an amount not to exceed \$115,128. (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. There were no subcontracting opportunities for the goods required for this solicitation; 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 Water.
Purchasing Language	The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 5600 GAZ1000 for these goods. The solicitation was issued on April 16, 2018 and closed on May 1, 2018. The recommended contractor submitted the only responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bid received, is available for viewing on the City's Financial Services website, Austin Finance Online. Link: Solicitation Documents Solicitation_details.cfm?sid=125211 .
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Council Committee,	July 11, 2018 - Approved by the Water and Wastewater Commission
Boards and Commission	on a 7-0 vote, with Chair Moriarty and Commissioners Turrieta,
Action	Michel, and Schmitt absent.
Client Department(s)	
	Austin Water.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for global positioning system(GPS) equipment to be used by Austin Water field crews for data collection efforts and locate infrastructure assets. Austin Water's Geographic Information System (GIS) provides spatially referenced data, applications, and analysis for utility managers, engineers, planners, and field crews to support decision-making, field operations, and asset management. This includes establishing system architecture and data availability that is reliable and valuable for all customers, to expand the use of GIS through technology development, data sharing, and interfaces with other systems.

Austin Water GIS Support Services have developed standardized workflows, data storage, software and hardware, as well as data accuracy level standards that are used by the organization. The purchase of the GPS equipment is to achieve the high accuracy requirements.

Approval of this contract will allow Austin Water to improve the quality of service to its customers, improve workforce efficiency, and achieve business goals