



## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 19-1016, **Agenda Item #:** 22.

2/21/2019

### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of a cooperative contract with GTS Technology Solutions, Inc., to provide Splunk software products and services, including maintenance, training and support services, for a term of three years in an amount not to exceed \$2,134,000.

(Note: This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the goods and services required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

### **Lead Department**

Purchasing Office.

### **Client Department(s)**

Austin Energy.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$786,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

### **Purchasing Language:**

Multiple vendors within this cooperative purchasing program were reviewed for these goods and services. The Purchasing Office has determined this contractor best meets the needs of the department to provide the goods and services required at the best value for the City.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

January 14, 2019 - Recommended unanimously by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote, with Chair Ferchill and Commissioner Hopkins absent and one vacancy.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

The contract is for Splunk software products and services including maintenance support, upgrades and training for Splunk users. Austin Energy utilizes Splunk software to enhance cyber security by monitoring, flagging and identifying security events and potential threats to Austin Energy's network, and allowing users to perform proactive investigations pertaining to potential security events.

This contract is new and represents a consolidation of purchases of these products and services into a single

contract. The requested authorization amount is based on forecasted needs for the term of the contract.

The State of Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative establishes competitively bid contracts that can be utilized by the State and other government agencies through a cooperative agreement.

Cooperative agreements save taxpayer dollars by leveraging the State's volume-buying power to drive down costs on hundreds of contracts through a streamlined cooperative purchasing program.