



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-1435, **Agenda Item #:** 16.

4/11/2019

Posting Language

Authorize award of a contract with Woods Fun Center Inc. D/B/A BMW Motorcycles of Austin, to provide police motorcycles, in an amount not to exceed \$156,000.

(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.

Client Department(s)

Fleet Services.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Capital Budget of Fleet Services.

Purchasing Language:

The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 7800 MMO1008 for these goods. The solicitation issued on January 7, 2019 and it closed on February 5, 2019. The recommended contractor submitted the only 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: https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=129111.

For More Information:

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NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Persons: Marian Moore, at 512-974-2062 or Marian.Moore@austintexas.gov <<mailto:Marian.Moore@austintexas.gov>> or, John Hilbun, at 512-974-1054, or John.Hilbun@austintexas.gov <<mailto:John.Hilbun@austintexas.gov>>.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for the purchase of six replacement motorcycles that will be assigned to the Austin Police Department (APD) for use in traffic enforcement. The City currently has 70 motorcycles in the APD fleet. Motorcycles are used by police officers to run radar, investigate traffic accidents, and as traffic escorts for approximately 150 events per year including political events, parades, and high-profile funerals.

For safety reasons, the APD motorcycle fleet is standardized on a single manufacturer. This allows for a standardization of controls including lights, siren, and radio, regardless of the unit the officer is using. The specified motorcycles are equipped with design features that make it one of the safest motorcycles in

production. It is lighter and more maneuverable than other police motorcycles without any loss of performance from the 110 horsepower, 1170 cc twin-piston engine. The motorcycles have an integral anti-lock braking system (ABS) that provides significantly better braking performance as compared to other motorcycles with ABS.

Fleet Services and the Office of Sustainability have worked together to develop a vehicle purchasing process to progress towards our citywide objective of obtaining carbon neutrality by 2020. This purchasing standard incorporates the following criteria: pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions impact, available technologies on the market, physical demands on the vehicle, service application, and life-cycle cost. These criteria are applied to all vehicle purchase requests submitted to Fleet.

Departments review the list of vehicles determined eligible by Fleet Services for replacement based on mileage, hours of use, and maintenance costs. From that list, priority uses are determined within the departments, and the proposed vehicle is reviewed by the Fleet Service Center Manager to ensure the specified vehicle is appropriate for the use.

All of these replacement vehicles have met the Fleet Officer's eligibility criteria for replacement. The Fleet Service Center Managers have inspected each vehicle to be replaced and determined that the mileage or hours of use of each vehicle proposed for replacement cannot be increased without risking a significant increase in repair costs and loss of productivity due to downtime. New units must be put on order as soon as possible to ensure their place in the production schedule in order to be received before old units are rendered unusable.