Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Lakeside Equipment Corporation, for a Raptor® screen cartridge with tank, in an amount not to exceed $130,000.

(Note: Sole source contracts are exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department
Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)
Austin Water.

Fiscal Note
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget of Austin Water.

Purchasing Language:
Sole Source.

For More Information:
Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager’s Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov or to Georgia Billela, at 512-974-2939 or Georgia.Billela@austintexas.gov.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:
April 10, 2019 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 9-0 vote, with Commissioner Schmitt absent.

Additional Backup Information:
The contract is for the purchase of a replacement Raptor® screen cartridge and tank for use at Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management plant. The screen cartridge removes large objects, such as sticks, papers, various type of wipes and rags, bottles, and grit in the sludge that clogs the downstream pumps resulting in downtime and damaged equipment. The screening apparatus also prevents materials from accumulating in the digesters which would decrease treatment capacity. The cartridge was last replaced in 2014 and due to corrosion and general wear and tear, parts are required to be replaced prior to failure.

This sludge screening equipment was originally installed in the 1990’s. Lakeside Equipment Corporation is the sole manufacturer and proprietary designer of the original and patented equipment and parts. The screen cartridge and tank cannot be retrofitted and are the only parts compatible with the existing equipment.