



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-2555, **Agenda Item #:** 47.

8/22/2019

Posting Language

Authorize award of a multi-term contract with Mondo Gardens D/B/A Thomas Turfgrass, for turfgrass, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,465,000.

(Note: This solicitation 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 solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Parks and Recreation Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$49,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget of Parks and Recreation. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 8600 SSC1004 for these goods and services. The solicitation issued on April 1, 2019 and it closed on April 30, 2019. The recommended contractor submitted the only responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation for the bid received, is available for viewing on the City's Financial Services website, Austin Finance Online. Link: [Solicitation Documents <https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=130198>](https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=130198).

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: Sydney Ceder, at 512-974-2225 or Sydney.Ceder@austintexas.gov <<mailto:Sydney.Ceder@austintexas.gov>>.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for the delivery and installation of turfgrass (sod and sprigs) for golf courses, cemeteries and parks that are operated and maintained by the Parks and Recreation Department (PARC). The City currently owns and operates six golf courses, five cemeteries and over 250 park facilities, for a combined space in excess of 17,000 acres. Due to the demand of these resources and the wear and tear caused by repeated vehicle, pedestrian and bicycle use, PARC is required to replace sod on an ongoing basis.

The Golf Division requirements will make up 95% of the overall volume due to its specialized requirements,

including Tifway 419 and Tifdwarf Bermuda grasses. These sod products are specifically engineered for golf course use and therefore are not available through standard distribution channels. Tifway 419 will be used to repair damaged areas on golf courses resulting from irrigation leaks, vehicular damage, drainage repairs, equipment damage as well as renovation projects. Tifdwarf sod is used for putting surfaces in both repairs to existing putting greens as well as the installation of new putting green surfaces.

The current contract for these services expires August 23, 2019. The recommended contractor is the current contractor for these goods and services. The requested authorization amount for this contract was determined using the department's annual estimates and historical spend.

Contract Detail:

| <u>Contract Term</u> | <u>Length of Term</u> | <u>Contract Authorization</u> |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Initial Term | 2 yrs. | \$ 586,000 |
| Optional Extension 1 | 1 yr. | \$ 293,000 |
| Optional Extension 2 | 1 yr. | \$ 293,000 |
| Optional Extension 3 | 1 yr. | \$ 293,000 |
| TOTAL | 5 yrs. | \$1,465,000 |

Note: Contract Authorization amounts are based on the City's estimated annual usage.