



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-1029, **Agenda Item #:** 37.

2/6/2020

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with PowerPlan, Inc., to provide PowerPlan software support, upgrades, and additional modules to ensure asset management and cost recovery, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000.

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

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$800,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

Sole Source.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

January 13, 2020 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 7-0 vote, with Commissioners Hadden and Reed off the dais, and Commissioners Collier-Brown and Funkhouser absent.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide continued PowerPlan software licensing and support and allow for upgrades and use of additional modules. The software provides the ability to leverage data from Austin Energy enterprise resource planning systems, work management systems, and financial systems to record, depreciate, and retire fixed assets. The software aligns Austin Energy with its strategic initiative's financial health to ensure appropriate asset cost recovery and aids in keeping utility rates reasonable. The software will also help achieve grid modernization goals to enhance asset management capabilities as additional asset investment optimization modules are purchased and placed in service, aligning operational asset management and financial asset management, to deliver superior reliability, and customer experience at the lowest reasonable

cost.

This is a sole source contract. PowerPlan, Inc. is the sole provider of PowerPlan software maintenance and support and retains exclusive rights to the proprietary source code for the application.