



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-1392, **Agenda Item #:** 28.

3/12/2020

Posting Language

Authorize an amendment to an existing contract with Grid Subject Matter Experts, LLC D/B/A Grid Subject Matter Experts, to provide continued consulting expertise regarding the replacement of the control systems for electrical grids, and related engineering applications, for an increase in the amount of \$535,000, for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$3,646,000.

(Note: This amendment will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. Current participation to date is 2.80% MBE/WBE combined).

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$220,000 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:

Contract Amendment.

Prior Council Action:

May 4, 2017 - Council approved the original contract, item 15, on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Garza absent.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

February 10, 2020 - Recommended unanimously by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote, with Commissioners Collier-Brown, Funkhouser, and Stone absent.

Additional Backup Information:

The proposed amendment will provide additional funding for continued consulting expertise throughout the remaining phases of the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition and Energy Management System replacement projects as well as the Advanced Distribution Management System upgrade stabilization phase. The additional funding will cover higher labor costs than anticipated due to a higher level of expertise needed

during the projects, and also allows for bridge support while Austin Energy adds additional permanent staff to work with the new systems.

Contract Detail:

<u>Contract Term</u>	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Current Contract Authorization</u>	<u>Requested Additional Authorization</u>	<u>Revised Total Authorization</u>
Initial Contract	4 yrs.	\$1,899,072		\$1,899,072
Contract Amendment		\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000
Contract Amendment		\$ 61,000		\$ 61,000
Proposed Amendment			\$535,000	\$ 535,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$ 183,488		\$ 183,488
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$ 183,488		\$ 183,488
Optional Extension 3	1 yr.	\$ 183,488		\$ 183,488
Optional Extension 4	1 yr.	\$ 183,488		\$ 183,488
Optional Extension 5	1 yr.	\$ 183,488		\$ 183,488
Optional Extension 6	1 yr.	\$ 183,488		\$ 183,488
TOTALS	10 yrs.	\$3,111,000	\$535,000	\$3,646,000

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

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