



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-3106, **Agenda Item #:** 38.

10/15/2020

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of two cooperative contracts with GT Distributors Inc. D/B/A GT Distributors - Austin and Precision Delta Corp, for ammunition, each for a term of one year for total contract amounts not to exceed \$650,000, divided between the contractors.

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

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Austin Police Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Operating Budget of the Austin Police Department.

Purchasing Language:

Multiple vendors within this cooperative purchasing program were reviewed for these goods. The Purchasing Office has determined these contractors best meet the needs of the department to provide the goods required at the best value for the City.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

These contracts will provide ammunition for the Austin Police Department (APD) officers and cadets while on duty, during firearm training, and for required annual qualifications. All APD officers are required by State statutes and departmental policies to qualify annually with each weapon they are authorized to carry, including handguns, shotguns, and rifles. This ammunition will allow APD to meet the statutory requalification requirement.

The previous contract expired March 31, 2020. These new contracts are needed to restore the inventory to maintain compliance with Texas Commission on Law Enforcement rules which states officers must qualify with all authorized weapons on an annual basis and to support continuing operations. The requested authorization amount for these contracts was determined based on departmental qualification and training estimates for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 while the City and the APD continue to work through the Reimagining Public Safety

initiative.

The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative, administered by Texas Association of School Boards, Inc. (BuyBoard) establishes competitively bid contracts that can be utilized by the State and other government agencies through a cooperative agreement. Cooperative agreements save taxpayer dollars by leveraging the State's volume-buying power to drive down costs on hundreds of contracts through a streamlined cooperative purchasing program.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety.