



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-3478, **Agenda Item #:** 31.

12/3/2020

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Power Monitors, Inc., to provide voltage recorders, in an amount not to exceed \$105,000.

(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 Energy.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:

Sole Source.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

November 9, 2020 - Recommended unanimously by the Energy Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote, with Commissioners Funkhouser, Stone and Wray absent.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide voltage recorders that produce real time data to troubleshoot customer service interruptions. The new model of voltage recorders has wireless features that will allow Austin Energy field employees to access power quality data from laptops reducing their exposure to electrical hazards and the need to attach recorders at the customer's service point. These recorders will replace 20-year-old equipment and allow Austin Energy to measure and record single phase, three-phase, and industrial voltage.

Austin Energy utilizes Power Monitor Inc.'s equipment, and its personnel are trained in the installation of the Power Monitor recorders and the operation of its software platform. Power Monitor Inc.'s equipment and software are not compatible with other brands and are available through direct factory sales only.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety; Government That Works for All.