



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-1367, **Agenda Item #:** 18.

4/8/2021

Posting Language

Authorize award of a multi-term contract with KBS Electrical Distributors Inc., for network protectors, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.

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

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. 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) 1100 MEA1020Rebid for these goods. The solicitation issued on November 2, 2020 and it closed on November 17, 2020. Of the two offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the lowest responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids 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=134928)
<https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=134928>.

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: Maria Andrade, at 512-972-9424 or Maria.Andrade@austintexas.gov <<mailto:Maria.Andrade@austintexas.gov>>.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

March 8, 2021 - Recommended unanimously by the Electric Utility Commission on a 6-0 vote, with Commissioner Hadden off the dais, Commissioners Funkhouser, Reed and Wray absent, and one vacancy.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide Austin Energy with network protectors of various voltage and configurations for use in the network distribution areas. This network system is designed to provide maximum service continuity in the

downtown area which is a heavy load density service area. A protector consists of a circuit breaker, operating mechanism, network relay and control equipment. Protectors allow two or more electrical feeders to be connected and simultaneously provide power to a common low voltage service. The protectors will be used to replenish stock at Austin Energy's warehouse and will be used as required.

The current contract expires in May 2021.

Contract Detail:

<u>Contract Term</u>	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Contract Authorization</u>
Initial Term	2 yrs.	\$ 4,000,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$ 2,000,000
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$ 2,000,000
Optional Extension 3	1 yr.	\$ 2,000,000
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$10,000,000

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

Strategic Outcome(s):

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