



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-1434, **Agenda Item #:** 22.

4/8/2021

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract with KBS Electrical Distributors Inc., or another qualified offeror to Request for Proposals 1100 DTB3001, to provide circuit breakers, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$7,000,000.

(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 \$490,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding in the amount of \$210,000 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 a Request for Proposals (RFP) 1100 DTB3001 for these goods. The solicitation issued on September 28, 2020 and it closed on October 20, 2020. Of the three offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the best evaluated responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a log of offers 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=134635)
<https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=134635>.

Prior Council Action:

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: DeJuan Brown, at 512-322-6472 or DeJuan.Brown@austintexas.gov <<mailto:DeJuan.Brown@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 362 kilovolt circuit breakers for Austin Energy. These circuit breakers are used to de-energize high voltage substation transmission lines for construction and maintenance purposes and during fault and outage conditions. Circuit breakers are a crucial safety component for protecting Austin Energy personnel and contractors, in addition to substation equipment.

An evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the offers and scored KBS Electrical Distributors Inc. as the best to provide these goods based on price, service-disabled veteran business enterprise, applicable experience and personnel qualifications, local preference, technical solution, and delivery schedule.

The current contract expires on May 22, 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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