



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-2867, **Agenda Item #:** 6.

8/26/2021

Posting Language

Authorize award of a contract with Overseas Parts Distributing Inc. d/b/a Alamo BMW, to provide police motorcycles, in an amount not to exceed \$361,760.

(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)

Fleet Mobility Services.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Budget of Fleet Mobility Services.

Purchasing Language:

The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 7800 BRS1025 for these goods. The solicitation issued on March 1, 2021 and it closed on March 30, 2021. The recommended contractor submitted the only 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=135133)
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For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for the purchase of 14 replacement motorcycles that will be assigned to the Austin Police Department (APD) for use in traffic enforcement. The City currently has 65 motorcycles in the APD fleet. Motorcycles are used by police officers to run radar, investigate traffic accidents, and as traffic escorts for approximately 150 events per year including political events, parades, and high-profile funerals.

For safety, training, and performance reasons, the APD motorcycle fleet is standardized on a single manufacturer. This allows for a standardization of controls, including lights, siren, and radio, regardless of the unit the officer is using. The specified motorcycles are equipped with design features that make it one of the safest motorcycles in production. It is lighter and more maneuverable than other police motorcycles without any loss of performance from the 110 horsepower, 1.170 cc twin-piston engine. The motorcycles have an integral anti-lock braking system (ABS) that provides significantly better braking performance as compared to other motorcycles with ABS.

Fleet Mobility Services and the Office of Sustainability have worked together to develop vehicle purchasing standards that consider pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions impact, available technologies on the market, physical demands on the vehicle, service application, and life-cycle cost. These criteria are applied to all vehicle purchase requests submitted to Fleet.

Departments review the list of vehicles determined to be eligible for replacement by Fleet Mobility Services. Replacement eligibility is based on mileage, hours of use, maintenance costs, and physical condition.

All of these replacement vehicles have met the Fleet Officer's eligibility criteria for replacement. Fleet service center management has inspected each vehicle to be replaced and determined that the mileage or hours of use of each vehicle proposed for replacement has reached its end-of-life operational threshold and risk significant increases in repair costs and loss of productivity due to downtime. In order not to exceed operational parameters, replacement units must be placed on order as soon as possible due to limited space in the manufacturer's production cycle.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Mobility; Safety.