



## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 21-2975, **Agenda Item #:** 13.

10/14/2021

### **Posting Language**

Ratify contracts with Mastec North America Inc. and Primoris T&D Services, LLC for distribution electrical services, in the amount of \$3,600,000 divided between the contractors.

(Note: This contract is exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9C 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 was available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

### **Purchasing Language:**

Ratification and Critical Business Need.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

September 13, 2021 - The Electric Utility Commission was cancelled due to lack of quorum.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

The contracts were for distribution electrical services for Austin Energy. The contracts supplemented Austin Energy's labor force by providing ready access to contract labor and equipment for service extensions, the removal and replacement of utility poles, storm related outage restoration, and distribution line relocations.

In response to continued growth in the Austin area, Austin Energy must implement system modification projects such as installing new distribution facilities and improving existing facilities to ensure reliability of the electrical system. The contracts were necessary for Austin Energy to implement those system modifications. Services performed by the contractors include pulling power cable, installing or replacing distribution hardware, and hauling and setting distribution poles.

The previous contract expired before the replacement contract request could be approved by Council. The solicitation was delayed in order to address a protest received, so this contract was needed to cover the service until the new contract could be approved.

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Per Resolution No. 20040610-002, Austin Energy issued a critical business need to obtain the required services.

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

Government that Works for All.