



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1553, Agenda Item #: 29.

4/7/2022

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term cooperative contract with TEQSYS, Inc. to provide Veritas-Netbackup products and services including maintenance, training, and support services, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$6,000,000.

(Note: This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the goods and services required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$1,200,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

Multiple contractors within this cooperative purchasing program were reviewed for these goods and services. The Financial Services Department has determined this contractor best meets the needs of the department to provide the goods and services required at the best value for the City.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

March 21, 2022 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Bowen, Cardenas, Chapman, and Funkhauser absent.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for Veritas-Netbackup products and services including maintenance support for hardware and software, training, and support services. Veritas-Netbackup products and services are utilized throughout Austin Energy to support the recoverability and integrity of corporate data stored on the network and North American Electric Reliability Corporation Cyber Infrastructure Protection (NERC/CIP) logs. This ensures the data can be backed up and restored in a reliable and efficient manner to meet retention policies for critical data, service level agreements, and NERC/CIP compliance mandates.

The State of Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative establishes competitively bid contracts that can be utilized by the State and other government agencies through a cooperative agreement. Cooperative agreements save taxpayer dollars by leveraging the State's volume-buying power to drive down costs on hundreds of contracts through a streamlined cooperative purchasing program.

Contract Detail:

<u>Contract Term</u>	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Contract Authorization</u>
Initial Term	3 yrs.	\$4,000,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$1,000,000
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$1,000,000
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$6,000,000

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

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government that Works for All.