



## Recommendation for Action

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**File #: 22-2411, Agenda Item #: 17.**

**9/1/2022**

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of a cooperative contract with DeSpain & Associates, Inc. d/b/a DAI Source for maintenance and support of a web-based integrated business intelligence suite, for a term of three years in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.

(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 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 Water.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$119,784 is available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget of Austin Water. 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 services. The Financial Services Department has determined this contractor best meets the needs of the department to provide the services required at the best value for the City.

### **For More Information:**

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

August 10, 2022 - Recommended by the Water Wastewater Commission on a 7-0 vote with two absences and two vacancies.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

The contract will provide maintenance and support of IBM Cognos, a web-based integrated business intelligence suite, for Austin Water. IBM Cognos software is used for reports and dashboards that include key performance indicators related to safety, equity, performance measures, customer service, water conservation reports, and treatment asset data. IBM Cognos is used by various divisions within Austin Water including finance, human resources, engineering, pipeline operations, and laboratory.

The State of Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative establishes competitively bid contracts

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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.

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

Government that Works for All.