



**Purchasing Service Agreement
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a 12-month service agreement with NATIONAL SAFETY CLEAN, Kennett Square, PA, for bunker gear cleaning, decontamination, repair, and maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$70,000, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$70,000 per extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$210,000.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$29,166.67 is available in the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Approved Operating Budget of the Fire Department. Funding for the remaining five months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Purchasing
DEPARTMENT:for Fire;

DIRECTOR'S
AUTHORIZATION: Vickie Schubert

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Vikie DeLuyck, MSW, Buyer/974-2003

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Lowest bid of three bids received.

MBE / WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9 of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This service agreement will provide cleaning, decontamination, repair and maintenance of the Austin Fire Department's (AFD) bunker gear. "Bunker gear" is the protective ensemble firefighters are required to wear while participating in firefighting operations. To protect the firefighter from the intense heat and flames, he/she wears a turn-out coat and pants, hood, gloves and protective boots. In order to offer the firefighter maximum protection, bunker gear must be kept clean and in good repair.

The National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) has issued standards, NFPA 1851 that address the cleaning and maintenance of bunker gear. This standard was adopted by the State of Texas through Senate Bill 382. State law mandates that bunker gear ensemble be kept clean and free of any rips, tears, etc., that degrades the original protection of the bunker gear ensemble. Certified repairs to these garments are highly technical and only manufacturer-recognized repair facilities are authorized to perform such repairs. Thus, to comply with state law and nationally recognized standards, AFD seeks a service agreement with a qualified vendor to provide the required bunker gear cleaning and repair services.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0



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BID TABULATION

**Bunker Gear Cleaning, Decontamination, Repair, and Maintenance
(41 items)/\$70,000 Annual Budget
IFB No. VD05300033-A**

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT*</u>
National Safety Clean Kennett Square, PA	\$36,000.90
Safety Solutions Dallas, TX	\$42,626.12
Gloves, Inc. Austell, GA	\$53,044.30

*\$36,000.90 is for bunker gear cleaning and major repair items listed on the bid sheet for bunker gear. Because of the numerous types of minor repairs that could be used, estimated quantities of the number of each repair could not be determined with sufficient accuracy. Based upon the total cost spent on repairs last year, AFD estimates that \$33,999.10 will be needed to cover minor repairs (i.e. snap replacement, seam sealing, patches, etc.) for this contract.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- Adequate competition.**
- Eleven notices were sent. There were no known MBEs/WBEs listed for this commodity code. Three solicitations were issued. Three bids were received. There were three "no bid" responses.**
- The current contract with Gloves, Inc. does not have the same items listed on the bid sheet to compare with the new bid prices. However, the budgeted amount for the current contract was \$70,000 annually.**

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- Low bidder.**
- The Austin Fire Department concurs with the recommended award.**
- Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.**