



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

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a 12-month supply agreement with NORSEMAN PLASTICS LTD, Rexdal, Ontario, Canada, for recycling bins for the Solid Waste Services Department in an amount not to exceed \$104,525, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$104,525 for each extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$313,575.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$43,552 is available in the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Approved Operating Budget of the Solid Waste Services Department. Funding for the remaining seven 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 **DIRECTOR'S**
DEPARTMENT:for Solid Waste Services; **AUTHORIZATION:** Vickie Schubert

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: R.C. Hernandez, Senior Buyer/974-6434

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Lowest bid of four 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 contract establishes a supply agreement for an estimated quantity of 25,100 curbside recycling bins to be issued to households for the Curbside Recycling Program in the Solid Waste Services Department.

These recycling bins are being purchased to accommodate the growth of the City to include enough in inventory for new annexations, replacement of damaged bins, continued implementation of the Pay-As-You-Throw Program and special re-distribution of bins to low participation areas. Research has revealed that areas of high rental turnover have a low participation in recycling due to the lack of bins available to new tenants. Re-distribution of bins to low participation areas increases recycling participation. It is important that the Solid Waste Services Department maintain an adequate recycling bin inventory in order to maximize recycling participation and subsequent avoidance of excess garbage charges for customers.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/1

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0



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**BID TABULATION
Curbside Recycling Bins
IFB No. RH05100046
(Est. Qty. 25,100/three line items)**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
Norseman Plastic Ltd Rexdale, Ontario, Canada	\$104,525
Otto Environmental Systems Eloy, Arizona	\$117,900
Busch Systems International, Inc. Barrie, Ontario	\$140,815
Rehrig Pacific Company Los Angeles, California	\$150,446

A complete bid tabulation is available in the Purchasing Office.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- Adequate Competition.
- Thirty-four notices were sent. There are no known MBE/WBEs for this commodity. Six bids were issued. Four bids were received.
- The current pricing represents a 7% increase to the last purchase made April 2003. This can be attributed to higher fuel prices and manufacturers cost.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- Low bidder.
- Solid Waste Services Department concurs with the recommended award herein.
- Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and internet.