



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

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a 12-month supply agreement with VULCAN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, LP, San Antonio, TX, for trap rock and millsand for the Public Works Department in an amount not to exceed \$658,134, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$658,134 per extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,974,402.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$274,223 is available in the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Approved Operating Budget of the Public Works 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 Public Works; **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: One bid 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 will provide a reliable supply of aggregate trap rock, grade 5T , Type F, trap rock FS course Type F and millsand, to be used by the City of Austin Street and Bridge Division of the Public Works Department. This material conforms to the City of Austin standard Specification No. SB-011011, Trap Rock Aggregates for Surface and Millsand, used in the street maintenance sealcoat program.

Vulcan Materials Company is the only commercial source that can supply the City with this type of material. Trap Rock is a common name for Basalt. Basalt/trap rock is the geological name for a heavy, fine grained, durable igneous rock that is typically gray to black in color. These aggregates are exclusively mined by Vulcan Materials Company in Knippa, Texas.

The Street and Bridge Division has used this product since 1968 with very satisfactory results and specifies this aggregate for the following reasons:

1. Trap rock has a high abrasion resistance factor and will not get crushed under heavy traffic conditions. The aggregate provides a durable sealcoat application which results in a longer life than sealcoat applications that use other aggregates.
2. Trap rock produces very little dust, thus reducing traffic and environmental hazards.



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3. Trap rock has a dark gray natural pigmentation providing better contrast for traffic striping.
4. Trap rock is a 100% reusable product.
5. In 1987 other available local aggregates were tested which resulted in problems related to serious dust control and the crushing of the rock under traffic loads, which caused tire damage to automobiles.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 3/0

MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

Trap Rock and Millsand
(Three Line Items)
IFB No. RH05100048

<u>Item</u>	<u>Est. Qty/Unit.</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Extended Price</u>
5T Trap Rock	25,000/Tons	\$26.03	\$650,750
Millsand	100/Tons	\$21.78	\$ 2,178
FS Trap Rock	200/Tons	\$26.03	<u>\$ 5,206</u> \$658,134

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. This item has been solicited several times in the past with no other bidders responding. Vulcan Construction Materials LP is the only known source in the area that provides this type of aggregate trap rock
- b. Twenty-two notices were sent including three MBEs. There are no WBEs listed under this commodity. Six solicitations were issued. One bid was received with no MBEs responding.
- c. The current pricing represents a 15% increase to the last purchase made in January 2004. This can be attributed to higher fuel prices.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. The recommended awardee is the only available source. Trap rock formed as a result of volcanic eruptions across south Texas over 80 million years ago. One of those ancient volcanoes is located in Knippa, Texas where this aggregate is produced. The stone is processed in Vulcan's Company owned crushing and sizing facility.
- b. The Public Works Department concurs with the recommended award herein.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and Internet.