



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

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SUBJECT: Authorize negotiation and execution of a 60-month service agreement with USA MOBILITY, Dallas, TX, (formerly Metrocall) for paging services (wireless text and numeric messaging) in an amount not to exceed \$2,700,000, with five 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$540,000 per extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$5,400,000.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$540,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Proposed Operating Budgets of various departments. Funding for the remaining 48-months of the original contract 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 Parks and Recreation; **AUTHORIZATION:** Vickie Schubert
Police; Austin Water
Utility; Austin Energy;
Watershed Protection and
Development Review;

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Vic Chanmugam, Specialist Senior Buyer/974-2030; Scott Swearengen, Assistant Director/974-0462

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: December 2, 1999 - Approved five year contract with Metrocall Inc.
March 10, 2005 - Authorized execution of Amendment #10 to Metrocall contract to hold over contract until 9/30/05 pending re-solicitation.

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Best proposal of two proposals 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 allow City and Coalition members to continue using paging (wireless text and numeric) services provided by Metrocall, a subsidiary of USA Mobility.

The City's current contract with Metrocall Inc. is shared among other members of the Wireless Messaging Coalition ("Coalition"). This Coalition is a group of other government agencies with whom the City has signed Interlocal Agreements including: Travis County, Austin Independent School District (AISD), the University of Texas at Austin (UT Austin) and various Emergency Service Districts throughout the Greater Austin Area. These various agencies collaborated in issuing a Request for Proposals and evaluating the two proposals received.

In addition, Coalition users will be able to maintain their existing pagers under this contract and there will be no need for a transition plan or an interruption in services.



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The proposed new pricing from USA Mobility shows an annual cost for the Coalition of \$910,452, (City's share is \$540,000), which represents a cost reduction of at least \$39,000 per year over the Coalition's current cost.

	Number of Pagers in FY 2005	Annual Cost as per Current Contract	Annual Cost in Proposed Contract
Coalition	11,500	\$949,788	\$910,452
City of Austin Only	5,705	\$560,758	\$540,000

The following table shows the breakdown of pager usage for the City, by type and department.

Item	Quantity
1 Way Alpha- Local	2,584
1 Way Alpha- Statewide	2,817
1 Way Alpha- Nationwide	22
Numeric	284
Two Way	99
Full Featured Voicemail	993
Lost Pagers	100

DEPARTMENT	# OF PAGERS	AVERAGE MONTHLY CHARGES	12-MONTH ALLOCATION
AFD	268	\$ 2,750	\$ 33,000
APD	1702	\$ 15,000	\$ 180,000
APD/Homeland Security	34	\$ 1,150	\$ 13,800
Austin Convention Center	43	\$ 200	\$ 2,400
Austin EMS	271	\$ 3,000	\$ 36,000
Austin Energy	808	\$ 6,000	\$ 72,000
Austin Water	484	\$ 2,650	\$ 31,800
Aviation	217	\$ 1,900	\$ 22,800
City Auditor	16	\$ 100	\$ 1,200
Community Care Service	90	\$ 800	\$ 7,200
CTM	184	\$ 1,415	\$ 16,980
FASD - Budget	10	\$ 125	\$ 1,500
FASD - Building	98	\$ 650	\$ 7,800
FASD - Controller	15	\$ 100	\$ 1,200
FASD - Director	8	\$ 75	\$ 900
FASD - Fleet	52	\$ 300	\$ 3,600
FASD - Tara	4	\$ 30	\$ 360
FASD - Treasury	1	\$ 10	\$ 120
Government Relations	3	\$ 25	\$ 300
HHSD	176	\$ 1,100	\$ 13,200
HRD	28	\$ 175	\$ 2,100
Law	48	\$ 300	\$ 3,600
Library	78	\$ 500	\$ 6,000
Management Services	37	\$ 425	\$ 5,100
Municipal Court	52	\$ 325	\$ 3,900
Neighborhood Planning & Zoning	10	\$ 45	\$ 540
NHCD	30	\$ 220	\$ 2,640
Office of Emergency Management	9	\$ 120	\$ 1,440
PARD	348	\$ 2,100	\$ 25,200
Public Works	197	\$ 1,200	\$ 14,400



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Purchasing	20	\$ 125	\$ 1,500
Redevelopment Services	20	\$ 130	\$ 1,560
SMBR	11	\$ 85	\$ 1,020
Solid Waste	120	\$ 720	\$ 8,640
Watershed Protection	221	\$ 1,350	\$ 16,200
TOTAL	5705	\$ 45,000	\$ 540,000

MBE/WBE Solicited: 0/1

MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0

PROPOSAL ANALYSIS
(RFP# VC05300027)

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Twenty Notices were mailed, including one WBE vendor. There are no known MBEs for this commodity code. Four Requests for Proposals were issue. Two proposals were received, none from MBE/WBE vendors.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best proposal of two proposals received.
- b. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.