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<b>Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)</b>				
Austin City Council	Item ID:	10576	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	November 3, 2011			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize award, negotiation and execution of a 36-month requirements service contract with ORCOM SOLUTIONS LLC, D/B/A VERTEX GROUP, Richardson, TX for the purchase of an Electronic-Customer Information System (E-CIS) archive access database with associated hosting services, maintenance and support for Austin Energy, in an estimated amount not to exceed \$952,920 with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$317,640 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,588,200.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$317,640 is included in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget for Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 24 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:	Sole Source			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Art Acuña, Senior Buyer/512-322-6307			
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on October 17, 2011			
MBE / WBE:	This purchase will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C 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 contract.			
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				

This contract is for an Electronic Customer Information System (E-CIS) archive service to be provided by the current E-CIS Contractor, Vertex Group. With this service, the vendor will provide a robust user interface that allows authorized users the ability to search old utility account information, upload historical data for reports, and print archived bills. Research shows that this service is competitively priced and market pricing will escalate depending on the level of required availability and disaster recovery precautions, as well as the size of dataset.

Austin Energy (AE), as part of the City of Austin (COA), transitioned its use of the Vertex CIS billing system into an archival and read-only access mode, and Vertex will only need to provide historic customer account information from the E-CIS archive for billing during and after the implementation of the new E-CIS (the Customer Care & Billing or “CC&B”) system.

At the time that the COA stopped processing new customer information in E-CIS, Vertex locked down (removed update capabilities of) the COA’s E-CIS database and hosted an archive of the database as it existed at that point in time. Hosting the archive database consists of maintaining a copy of the E-CIS software, Graphical User Interface, and E-CIS database for access by the COA. Vertex will own, manage and maintain the hardware and software needed to provide the archive service.

It is necessary for AE and COA to have ongoing access to the existing E-CIS information currently maintained and provided by Vertex for a variety of reasons, including meeting statutory mandates and historical account management. For example, the ability to access debt collection information of aging and delinquent utility bills, as well as other related utility customer data in the E-CIS archive, is a legal necessity and is a primary use of the archival services. In addition, Finance must have access for auditing purposes, Marketing must have access for market research, and the Rate Team accesses it for use in the rate redesign process.

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<b>Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)</b>				
Austin City Council	<b>Item ID:</b>	10167	<b>Agenda Number</b>	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	October 20, 2011			
<b>Department:</b>	Purchasing			
Subject				
Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of an 11-month contract with MICROSTRATEGY SERVICES CORPORATION, Vienna, VA, for the purchase of software support and maintenance for MicroStrategy business intelligence software in an amount not to exceed \$212,047.65, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$247,703.50 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,202,861.65				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding in the amount of \$113,816.55 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding in the amount of \$98,231.10 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Finance and Administrative Services Department. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.				
Fiscal Note				
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.				
<b>Purchasing Language:</b>	Sole Source			
<b>Prior Council Action:</b>				
<b>For More Information:</b>	Mick Osborne, Specialist Sr. Buyer/974-2995			
<b>Boards and Commission Action:</b>	To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on October 17, 2011.			
<b>MBE / WBE:</b>	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C 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.			
<b>Related Items:</b>				
Additional Backup Information				
<p>This contract is for the purchase of software support for the MicroStrategy business intelligence software used by the Budget Office and Austin Energy. This agreement will ensure that the two departments will continue to have access to software updates and for assistance in resolving software issues.</p> <p>The City of Austin Budget Office and Austin Energy identified the need for software to provide reports about operational performance, budget performance, and to make projections for future years. Both departments produce weekly, monthly, and quarterly reports on actual expenditures to planned expenditures, actual performance to planned performance, and projections of future expenditures. Business intelligence software provides the</p>				

functionality to automate delivery for many of these reports along with the capability to perform advanced data analysis and projections.

MicroStrategy business intelligence software was selected after an extensive selection process in 2009 including a proof of concept using City of Austin data and based upon feature set, performance, and cost.

The Budget Office purchased the MicroStrategy software in December, 2009 and Austin Energy purchased the MicroStrategy software in October, 2010. The 11-month initial term of this contract will align each department on an October 1 to September 30 maintenance and support schedule.

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### Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

10332

Agenda Number

&lt;ITEM\_OUTLINE&gt;

Meeting Date:

October 20, 2011

Department:

Purchasing

#### Subject

Authorize award and execution of Amendment No 6 to a requirements service contract with IRON MOUNTAIN, Austin, TX for records storage services for Austin Energy to extend the fourth and final 12-month extension option in an estimated amount not to exceed \$28,000, for a revised total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$192,000.

#### Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

#### Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**Purchasing Language:**

Contract Amendment

**Prior Council Action:**

To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on October 17, 2011.

**For More Information:**

Karen William, Senior Buyer, 512-322-6467

**Boards and Commission Action:**

**MBE / WBE:**

This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C 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.

**Related Items:**

#### Additional Backup Information

This contract amendment will provide continuation of records storage services for AE whose primary offices are located at 721 Barton Springs Road, Austin, TX and other locations within Travis County and surrounding areas. This contract includes and is not limited to the following services: storage, retrieval, delivery, pick-up, and destruction of individual boxes as well as ordering of records management supplies.

This contract was issued as a sole source contract in 2007 because Iron Mountain was the only company capable of providing large scale commercial, climate controlled, security monitored, web based pick-up and delivery storage services for paper records, microfilm, microfiche, engineering drawings, plots and other types of electronic media.

Amendment No. 1 was issued in September 2008 for \$10,000 for additional services of destruction and permanent disposition of records past retention periods. Amendment No. 2 was issued in November, 2008 for \$38,000 and extended the contract for the first year. Amendment No. 3 was issued in August 2009 for \$38,000 and extended the contract for the second year. Amendment No. 4 added FACTA requirements as applicable for these services. Amendment 5 was issued in November 2010 for \$50,000 and extended the contract for the third year. This recommended Council action is to approve Amendment No. 6 for the authorization to enter into the final option period for \$28,000 when appropriate, for a final contract value of \$192,000.

Contract Summary

Action	Description	Amount
Original Contract awarded 11-01-2007	Original 12-month contract	\$28,000
Amendment No.1	Administrative Increase	\$10,000
Amendment No.2	Exercise the first option	\$38,000
Amendment No. 3	Exercise the second option	\$38,000
Amendment No. 4	Added FACTA requirements	\$ 0.00
Amendment No. 5	Exercise third option plus administrative increase	\$50,000
Proposed Amendment No. 6	Exercise fourth option	\$28,000
Total Revised Contract Amount		192,000



### Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	10154	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
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Meeting Date:	October 20, 2011
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Department:	Purchasing
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#### Subject

Authorize award and execution of Amendment No.4 to a 36-month requirements contract with JOSCO PRODUCTS, Austin, TX, for wiping rags used by various city departments in an estimated amount not to exceed \$12,216.50 for a total \$58,128.37 with two extension option in the amount of \$12,216.50 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$82,561.37.

#### Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$10,180.04 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget for the various City Departments. Funding for the remaining option will be contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

#### Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	Contract Amendment.
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Cruz Banda, Buyer II, 974-2133
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission on October 12, 2011.
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D 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.
Related Items:	

#### Additional Backup Information





This contract is for the continued purchase of 100% cotton wiping rags used by for various City departments in day to day operations.

This contract was competitively bid and awarded in 2007, in an amount of \$12,216.50 for the initial 12-months of a 36-month contract. Funding for years one, two of the initial 36-month, a 25% increase and Option 1 of the contract were added administratively. The recommended council action is authorization to enter into the final two option periods when appropriate, for a final contract value of \$82,561.37

## Contract Summary

Description	Action	Amount
Original Contract	Award of a 36-month contract for Rags, Wiping 100% Cotton with three 12-month extension options	\$12,216.50 (Annual Amount)
Administrative Action	Added additional funds for initial 36-month contract on 12/04/2008	\$12,216.50
Administrative Action	Added additional funds for initial 36-month contract on 06/23/2009	\$12,216.50
Administrative Action	Added additional funds 25% increase on 2/01/2010	\$9,262.37
Administrative Action	Added additional funds for initial 36-month contract on 11/16/2010	\$12,216.50
<b>Cumulative Total to date:</b>		<b>\$58,128.37</b>
Remaining Extension Options	Two – 12 month remaining extension options at \$12,216.50 each.	\$24,433.00
<b>TOTAL CUMULATIVE CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>		<b>\$82,561.37</b>



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<b>Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)</b>				
Austin City Council	Item ID:	10249	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	October 20, 2011			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a contract with INVENSYS SYSTEMS, INC., Houston, TX for the purchase of a control system upgrade at Austin Energy's Sand Hill Energy Center in an estimated amount not to exceed \$962,430.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of Austin Energy.				
Fiscal Note				
A fiscal note is attached.				
Purchasing Language:	Sole Source.			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Dolores Castillo, Senior. Buyer/322-6466			
Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on October 17, 2011.			
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D 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.			
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
<p>This contract is for the purchase of an upgrade to the Foxboro Control System for the LM6000 units 1 through 4 at Sand Hill Energy Center. The Foxboro Control System operates and monitors several critical processes for the LM6000 turbines including the air emission control systems which minimize Nitrous Oxides (NOx) and ensure compliance with air permits.</p> <p>The existing control system hardware and software were purchased in 2000 when units 1 through 4 were commissioned. The system is obsolete and no longer supported by the vendor, and it has had several critical hardware and processor failures, which resulted in unit forced outages. This upgrade will make the unit 1 through 4 control system compatible with the upgraded control systems for the other Sand Hill units and improve unit reliability.</p> <p>Invensys is the sole source for this upgrade and does not permit outsourcing of these products or services to any representatives, distributors, or third party partners.</p>				

**CITY OF AUSTIN – PURCHASING DEPT.  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
VENDOR NAME: ASPLUNDH TREE EXPERT CO**

**AGENDA DATE: 11/10/2011**

**SUBJECT:** Approve ratification of Amendment No. 13 to the 12-month requirements service contract with ASPLUNDH TREE EXPERT CO, Corpus Christi, TX for transmission utility line clearance services for Austin Energy to increase the current amount of the contract in an estimated amount not to exceed \$290,000, for a revised estimated contract amount not to exceed \$7,872,229.

**AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

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

**PURCHASING:** Critical Business Need

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** 8/24/2006 – Approved 24-month contract; 8/21/2008 – Approved three 12-month extension options.

**BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:** To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on 10/17/11

**MBE/WBE:** This contract was awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) with % MBE and % WBE subcontractor participation to date.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Karen Williams, Senior Buyer (512) 322-6467

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This contract is for professional transmission utility line clearance services to include but not be limited to scheduled vegetation maintenance and storm restoration capabilities, tree pruning, and/or removal of various types of vegetation growing within Austin Energy's electrical facilities, utility easements, and rights-of-way. The work sites generally consist of the geographical area encompassing all of the transmission corridors used by Austin Energy (AE) within and outside AE's electric service territory.

This contract Amendment is to add an additional \$290,000 in funding to the contract to provide additional emergency tree removal services, additional tree crews, and clean up services of the rights-of-way around AE utility transmission lines in Bastrop. On September 4, 2011, AE received transmission alerts on 345kV Circuits 3131 and 3132 connecting the Lost Pines Substation to the Fayette Power Plant Switchyard. These alerts were caused by the fires in the Bastrop area. Although the lines appear not to have been damaged, there is a substantial number of large trees along the rights-of-way for these circuits that were impacted by fire and must be removed to prevent the risk of falling into power lines. Due to this risk, the lines were taken off line and remained out of service until the trees could be removed. These lines are critical to the reliability of AE's transmission system and the ERCOT grid, therefore, it was necessary to expeditiously and safely remove the trees in order for the lines to be re-energized as soon as possible.

**M/WBE Summary**

Project specific subgoals stated on the solicitation were 11.83% African American; 9.85% Hispanic; 1.34% Asian American; 0.00% Native American and 4.40% WBE. Contractor's participation stated on the initial approved compliance plan was 12.22% African American; 0.00% Hispanic; 1.38% Asian American; 0.00% Native American and 4.55% WBE. Total participation reflects expenditures of \$6,851,824.93 as reported through the end of September 2011. Total participation to date:

<b>NON – MBE/WBE TOTAL – PRIME</b>	<b>\$5,669,761.13</b>	<b>82.75%</b>
Asplundh Tree Expert Co., Corpus Christi, TX	\$5,669,761.13	82.75%
<b>MBE TOTAL – SUBCONTRACTOR</b>	<b>\$ 969,518.62</b>	<b>14.15%</b>
<b>African American Total – Subcontractors</b>	<b>\$751,791.16</b>	<b>10.97%</b>
Alvin Washington Trucking, Austin, TX,	\$112,020.00	1.63%
Silver & Associates, Austin, TX	\$639,771.16	9.34%
<b>Hispanic Total – Subcontractors</b>	<b>\$8,163.31</b>	<b>0.12%</b>
D & B Labor Services	\$8,163.31	0.12%
<b>Asian American Total – Subcontractors</b>	<b>\$209,564.15</b>	<b>3.06%</b>
Benqwest, Austin, TX,	\$209,564.15	3.06%
<b>WBE TOTAL – SUBCONTRACTORS</b>	<b>\$212,545.18</b>	<b>3.10%</b>
Cox Automotive, Austin, TX	\$43,285.70	0.63%
Patricia K White, Austin, TX	\$169,259.48	2.47%

**Contract Summary**

Action	Description	Amount
Original Contract awarded 08-28-2006 – 8/27/2008	Original 24-month contract	\$ 3,017,266.66
Amendment No.1	Added line items	\$0.00
Amendment No.2	Incorporated Oak Wilt Prevention Policy	\$0.00
Amendment No. 3	Per Council Approval, added three 12-month extension options, and exercised first option	\$1,508,633.00
Amendment No. 4	Adjusted billing rates per economic price adjustment clause	\$ 0.00
Amendment No. 5	Corrected numbering on Amendment 4	\$0.00
Amendment No. 6	Adjusted billing rates per economic price adjustment clause	\$0.00
Amendment No. 7	Adjusted billing rates per economic price adjustment clause	\$0.00
Amendment No. 8	Exercise second 12-month option	\$1,524,171.00
Amendment No. 9	Added line items	\$0.00
Amendment No. 10	Exercise third 12-month option	\$1,532,158.00
Amendment No. 11	Adjusted billing rates per economic price adjustment clause	\$0.00
Amendment No. 12	120 day holdover	\$0.00
Proposed Amendment No. 13	Increase current contract amount	\$290,000.00
Total Revised Contract Amount		\$7,872,228.66

**CITY OF AUSTIN – PURCHASING DEPT.  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
VENDOR NAME: KELLOGG BROWN & ROOT, INC.**

**AGENDA DATE: 11/10/2011**

**SUBJECT:** Authorize award and execution of a contract through THE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING NETWORK (TCPN) with KELLOGG BROWN & ROOT, INC., Austin, TX, for the installation of a solar photovoltaic system at the City of Austin's George Washington Carver Museum and Library in an estimated amount not to exceed \$346,410.

**AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING:** Funding is available through a grant awarded to the City of Austin/Austin Energy from the State Energy Conservation Office (SECO).

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

**PURCHASING:** Cooperative Purchase

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** July 28, 2011 – Approved acceptance of \$363,250 grant from SECO.

**BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:** To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on October 17, 2011 and the Resource Management Commission on October 18, 2011.

**MBE/WBE:** This Cooperative Contract is exempt from the MBE/WBE Ordinance. This exemption is in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program).

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:** Terry Nicholson, Senior Buyer / 512-322-6586

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This contract is for the installation of a photovoltaic system at the City of Austin's George Washington Carver Museum and Library. The contractor will provide all permits, labor, equipment and materials to install the photovoltaic panels which will be provided by Austin Energy through a separate contract.

The Carver Museum and Library serves as an excellent site for this project as it provides high visibility to those visiting the museum or library. The electricity generated will offset the operating costs of the Parks and Recreation Department and the Library Department, which are responsible for the management of the facility. Austin Energy estimates the 105 kW system will reduce electricity costs at the facility by 136,500 kWh per year, which equates to an annual savings of approximately \$10,920. This savings represents approximately 14% of the Carver Museum and Library's energy consumption.

The system will produce enough electricity for 13 average Austin homes for a year and produce an estimated 134 Renewable Energy Credits per year. These savings are equivalent to the planting of 2,921 trees or 146 acres of forest in Austin's parks or the removal of 149,569 vehicle miles or 19 cars from Austin roadways. The project will save 77 tonnes of Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), 33 pounds of Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), 165 pounds of Nitrogen Oxide (NO<sub>x</sub>), and 215

pounds of Carbon Monoxide (CO) from being emitted into the atmosphere. This project supports Austin Energy’s commitment to renewable energy as stated in the Austin Climate Protection Plan and Austin Energy’s 2003 Strategic Plan which calls for the implementation of a highly visible public awareness and education program involving the installation of PV projects at schools, libraries, community centers, and city buildings.

Kellogg Brown & Root, Inc is contracted through The Cooperative Purchasing Network (TCPN) to provide this service and equipment to other public entities state-wide. The cooperative purchasing program is coordinated by the State of Texas, Comptroller of Public Accounts and allows the City to use TCPN contracts that have been developed from contracts that were competitively bid and awarded by the General Services Administrations Federal Supply Service. This expedited purchasing process is ideally suited to the expedited project completion requirements associated with this SECO grant. A separate procurement for this service could compromise Austin Energy’s ability to timely complete this money-saving project. Additionally, the cost of the project represents a 13.7% cost savings from a second proposal received through TCPN.

**M/WBE Summary**

Although Cooperative Purchases are exempted from the MBE/WBE Procurement program and no goals were established for this contract, Kellogg Brown & Root, Inc. identified the following subcontracting opportunities:

**NON MBE/WBE - PRIME**

Prime – Kellogg Brown & Root, Inc.	<u>\$91,410.00</u>	<u>26 %</u>
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**NON MBE/WBE - SUBCONTRACTORS**

KDR Electrical Services	<u>\$255,000.00</u>	<u>74 %</u>
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**CITY OF AUSTIN - PURCHASING DEPT.  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION  
VENDOR NAME: FLINTCO, INC.**

**AGENDA DATE: 11/10/2011**

**SUBJECT:** Authorize award and execution of Amendment No. 1 to a contract with FLINTCO INC., Austin, TX, to increase the contract amount for foundation re-design services of a thermal energy storage tank in an amount not to exceed \$107,584, for a revised total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$644,584.

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:** Funding is available through a grant awarded to the City of Austin/Austin Energy from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), as a result of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 for the grant period of December 28, 2009 to December 27, 2012. No match is required.

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

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Terry Nicholson, Senior Buyer / 512-322-6586

**PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:** March 3, 2011 - Approved initial contract; February 4, 2010 - Approved acceptance of \$7,492,700 grant from DOE amending the budget.

**BOARDS AND COMMISSION ACTION:** To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission on October 17, 2011 and the Resource Management Commission on October 18, 2011.

**PURCHASING:** Contract Amendment.

**MBE/WBE:** This contract was awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 1.58% MBE and .41% WBE Subcontractor Participation.

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On March 3, 2011, Council approved the award of a contract with FLINTCO, LLC in an estimated amount not to exceed \$537,000 for the installation of a thermal energy storage (TES) tank at the Technicenter Plant located at 4201 Ed Bluestein which houses first responders including the Austin Fire Department, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Austin Police Department offices, and the Department of Small and Minority Business Resources. The TES tank is essentially an insulated water storage tank designed to store chilled water. At night and at off-peak times, electric chillers are operated to air condition the building as well as store chilled water for use during peak electrical demand. During times of peak electrical demand, the electric chillers are shut off and the building is air conditioned using stored chilled water.

The specifications provided in the solicitation included soil tests performed in 2004 for the purpose of adding additional parking lot pavement at this site and these tests are what the bids were to be based on. Flintco was required to complete new soil tests as part of the design process, which in turn revealed the existence of "fat clay" at the site. Fat clay is a syndrome

where the existence of a high proportion of certain minerals is found in the soil which can lead to ground swelling and endanger the structural integrity of the tank and its internal piping.

This amendment is to accommodate a redesign of the thermal energy storage tank's foundation, additional excavation and backfill, and extensive soil stabilization based on the results of the new soils tests. The new enhanced foundation design calls for six feet of excavation inside a 36-foot diameter on the tank's construction limits rather than the original 26-foot diameter, as well as stabilizing the soil up to 15 feet below the current asphalt under the tank.

The work will include all labor, materials and equipment necessary for the project. This TES tank is part of a larger heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) upgrade project at the Technicenter campus that is currently underway through an existing contract which is also being funded through the ARRA stimulus grant. The overall project is expected to shift and reduce peak demand by 400 kW, reduce energy usage by 931,532 kWh and avoid operating costs annually by \$160,000. This project will help Austin Energy achieve its goal of reducing peak electrical demand and offsetting or delaying the need to procure new power generation resources.

#### Contract Summary

Action	Description	Amount
Original contract approved 3/11/2011	Council approved award of contract	\$537,000
Proposed Amendment No. 1	Increase contract amount	\$107,584
Total Revised Contract Amount		\$644,584



## Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	10151	Agenda Number	<ITEM_OUTLINE>
Meeting Date:	10/20/2011		Department:	Government Relations
Subject				
<p>Approve a resolution authorizing negotiation and execution of state legislative representative services contracts for a total combined amount not to exceed \$678,028.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding is available in the fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budgets of the Government Relations Office, Austin Resource Recovery, Austin Energy and the Austin Water Utility.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	John Hrcir, Government Relations Officer, 974-2285.			
Boards and Commission Action:				
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
<p>The purpose of these contracts is to provide consulting and other professional services in the City's interests during the 82<sup>nd</sup> Interim Session and any special called sessions. The contractors will provide advice to the City and will be responsible for assisting the City's efforts before the legislature and for selected related activities requiring additional action such as communicating with state agencies. The consultants will be in a position to advance the interests of the City in legislation and to influence the legislative process.</p>				