

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)**

<b>Austin City Council</b>	<b>Item ID:</b>	13417	<b>Agenda Number</b>	32.
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<b>Meeting Date:</b>	April 5, 2012
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<b>Department:</b>	Purchasing
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**Subject**

Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month requirements service contract with PSC ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES LLC, or one of the other qualified offerors to RFP No. DKC0037, to provide management and disposal of hazardous and non-hazardous waste for Austin Energy in an estimated amount not to exceed \$311,000, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$311,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,555,000.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

Funding in the amount of \$155,500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining six 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.

<b>Purchasing Language:</b>	Best evaluated proposal.
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<b>Prior Council Action:</b>	
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<b>For More Information:</b>	Dolores Castillo, Sr. Buyer, 322-6466
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<b>Boards and Commission Action:</b>	Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.
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<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.
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### Additional Backup Information

This contract will provide services for the management and disposal of industrial hazardous and Class 1 non-hazardous waste at Austin Energy (AE) facilities as required by state and federal regulatory agencies. These services include packaging, manifesting, transporting, and disposal of the waste material. The types of waste disposed of include items such as oily solids (rags or soil), oily waters, lab pack chemical waste, fluorescent bulbs, batteries and paint. Treatment and disposal methods include recycling or reclamation when possible, incineration, fuels blending, industrial wastewater treatment, and solidification for secure chemical landfill disposal. AE manages and/or occupies several facilities and work sites that generate hazardous and non-hazardous wastes including Decker Creek Power Station, Sand Hill Energy Center, Kramer Service Center, Energy Control Center and District Cooling Plants # 1 and # 2. These wastes are typically generated during routine operation and maintenance activities at these facilities.

In order to comply with federal state and local regulations, AE requires the services of a waste management contractor, qualified and permitted to manage, transport, store and dispose of industrial wastes. This includes having an identification number through the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as well as being registered with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

An Austin Energy evaluation team with expertise in this area recommended award to the best evaluated proposer for these services. Evaluation criteria used to evaluate the proposals included costs, proposed solutions, personnel qualifications and experience, equipment and facilities, and environmental soundness and regulatory record compliance.

This request allows for the development of agreements with qualified offerors that Council selects. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating satisfactory agreements with the selected offerors, negotiations will cease with those providers. Staff will return to Council so that Council may select other qualified offerors and authorize contract negotiations with those providers.