

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	14201	Agenda Number	39.
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Meeting Date:	April 26, 2012
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a contract through The Cooperative Purchasing Network (TCPN) Contract, with AUDIO VISUAL INNOVATIONS, INC., for the purchase and installation of audio and video equipment, and a one year maintenance warranty, to provide audio and visual recordings at various meetings conducted at the Waller Creek Center by the Austin Water Utility, in an amount not to exceed \$146,560.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility Department.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Cruz Banda, Buyer II, 974-2133
Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.
Related Items:	
MBE / WBE:	This Cooperative Purchase is exempt from the MBE /WBE Ordinance. This exemption is 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 contract.

Additional Backup Information

This contract with Audio Visual Innovations Inc., Austin, Texas is for the purchase and installation of a durable and reliable audio and video recording system at Waller Creek Center. This contract will replace aging recording equipment, mounted speakers and audio mixing equipment that are currently used to create audio recordings for Austin Water boards and commission meetings, stakeholder and town hall meetings, citizen advisory committee meetings, in-house media productions, and other meetings conducted by Austin Water.

Complete installation includes replacing the current audio system, adding video component and capabilities, reconfiguring existing lighting, installing a programmable control system to adjust microphones, cameras, projector, and sound system, and developing an equipment rack with locking doors to house audio/video equipment. The completion of this audio/video build out allows broadcast viewing through Channel 6.

All consideration to purchase and install this equipment was viewed by the City of Austin Public Information Office and Austin Water Information Technology Services.

Audio Visual Innovation Inc. is under contract through TCPN to provide this equipment to other public entities nationwide. TCPN is a national governmental purchasing cooperative able to leverage the purchasing potential of governmental entities in all 50 states - this means equal pricing for the smallest entity and the largest buyer. TCPN competitively bids and awards contracts to national vendors in accordance with purchasing procedures mandated by state procurement laws and regulations.