

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	15415	Agenda Number	55.
Meeting Date:	May 24, 2012			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
Authorize award and execution of a 6-month service agreement with FORTBRAND SERVICES, INC., for portable preconditioned aircraft air conditioning and heating unit rental services for the Aviation Department in an amount not to exceed \$65,000.				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding in the amount of \$21,667 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of the Aviation Department. Funding for the remaining thirty-two months of the original contract and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.				
Fiscal Note				
A fiscal note is not required.				
Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid received.			
Prior Council Action:	█			
For More Information:	Brenda Helgren, Sr. Buyer, 974-9141			
Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Austin Airport Advisory Commission.			
Related Items:	█			
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.			

Additional Backup Information

This contract is for a six month rental of portable preconditioned aircraft air conditioning and heating units in order to continue cooling the jet bridges and docked aircraft until the new units are purchased and installed. The existing PC Aire units (24 total) have reached their useful life and experiencing more frequent failures that take in excess of 4 to 8 hours to resolve. The rentals will allow us to continue to provide great customer service by providing cooling for the docked aircraft while we are making the necessary repairs. Currently there are no alternative methods of providing cooling to the docked aircraft when a unit is taken out of service.

MBE/WBE solicited: 8/6

MBE/WBE response: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB BKH0143

PORTABLE PRECONDITIONED AIRCRAFT AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING UNIT RENTAL
(4 Line Items)

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Price for Six Month Period</u>
Fortbrand Services, Inc. Plainview, NY	\$65,000
Airport Technical Services Mansfield, TX	\$127,560
Polygon San Antonio, TX	\$155,628
*Portable Rental Solutions, Inc. Hewitt, TX	

*Vendor deemed non-responsive for changing the bid sheet

A completed bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and on the City of Austin, FASD Purchasing website.

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. One hundred and thirty notices were sent, including 8 MBE and 6 WBE firms listed under this service. Four bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Aviation Department recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet.

