

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	24779	Agenda Number	40.
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Meeting Date:	June 6, 2013
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirements supply contract with VIDACARE CORPORATION, for the purchase of the EZ-IO intraosseous infusion system and supplies for the Emergency Medical Services Department (EMS) in an estimated amount not to exceed \$690,474, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$230,158 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,380,948.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$76,713 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of the Emergency Medical Services Department. Funding for the remaining 32 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.

Purchasing Language:	Sole Source.
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Prior Council Action:	
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Related Items:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9D (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.
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Additional Backup Information

This contract will provide the EZ-IO® intraosseous infusion system and supplies for the EMS Department. Each ambulance in the Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Service is currently equipped with this system that allows an intraosseous needle to be drilled into the interior of a patient's bone to deliver fluids and medications to the central circulatory system. This tool is used to obtain emergency vascular access for patients in whom peripheral IV access is difficult or impossible.

All field staff are trained on this model and replacement equipment and supplies must be compatible with the existing stock to ensure the interoperability and a uniform standard of training and practice.

Vidacare is the sole manufacturer and distributor of the EZ-IO® intraosseous infusion system and supplies the United States and Canadian markets.