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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	25174	Agenda Number	47.
Meeting Date:	June 20, 2013			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize award and execution of a contract through the Texas Multiple Award Schedule (TXMAS) with TIME MANUFACTURING CO., dba Versalift Southwest for the purchase of truck-mounted aerial lifts in an amount not to exceed \$661,638.00.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$472,500.00 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Capital Budget of the Austin Transportation Department. Funding in the amount of \$94,500.00 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of the Code Compliance Department. Funding in the amount of \$94,638.00 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>A fiscal note is attached.</p>				
Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Purchase.			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Jeff Dilbert, 974-2021			
Boards and Commission Action:				
Related Items:				
MBE / WBE:	<p>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 solicitation.</p>			
Additional Backup Information				

This contract is for the purchase of seven truck-mounted aerial lifts in which three are additions to the fleet, and four are replacing existing units currently in the fleet. These aerial lifts will be mounted on Ford F550 truck chassis and will have the ability of extend up to 37 feet. These units will be distributed among Code Enforcement, Austin Transportation Department, and the Parks and Recreation Department.

Fleet Services and the Office of Sustainability have worked together to develop a vehicle/equipment purchasing process to progress towards our citywide objective of obtaining carbon neutrality by 2020. The purchasing criteria incorporate criteria pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions impact, available technologies on the market, physical demands on the vehicle/equipment, service application, and life-cycle cost. These criteria are applied to all vehicle/equipment purchase requests submitted to Fleet and all of vehicles/equipment purchased in this request are alternative fueled.

All of these vehicles/equipment are powered with engines capable of operating on B20 biodiesel (20% biodiesel blended with 80% petro-diesel). The B20 biodiesel that the City of Austin currently purchases is TXLED compliant, ultra-low sulfur diesel, with the TCEQ approved KERN additive. A new technology vehicle/equipment operating on B20 produces at least 10% less particulate matter, at least 10% less carbon monoxide, and at least 10% less unburned hydrocarbons from running on petro-diesel, while also reducing life cycle greenhouse gas emission by at least 15%.

The vehicles/equipment in this RCA have been recommended for purchase utilizing a process that involves the Fleet Officer, affected Department Directors, and Assistant City Managers (ACMs). ACM approval is required for all new additions to the City's fleet prior to any requests being made to the Purchasing Office.

Departments reviewed the list of vehicles/equipment determined eligible for replacement by Fleet Services based on mileage, hours of use, and maintenance costs. From that list, priority uses were determined within the departments, and the proposed vehicles/equipment were reviewed by the Fleet Service Center Manager to ensure the specified vehicle/equipment is appropriate for the use.

All of the replacement vehicles/equipment have met the Fleet Officer's eligibility criteria for replacement. The Fleet Service Center Managers have inspected each vehicle/equipment to be replaced, and determined that the mileage or hours of use of each vehicle/equipment proposed for replacement cannot be increased without risking a significant increase in repair costs and loss of productivity due to down time.

This purchase includes the following medium-duty vehicles:

Parks And Recreation Department

1-Ford F550 Aerial Truck - Replacement

Austin Transportation Department

3- Ford F550 Aerial Truck – Replacement

2- Ford F550 Aerial Truck - Addition

Code Enforcement

1-Ford F550 Aerial Truck - Addition

Time Manufacturing Co., dba Versalift Southwest is contracted through TXMAS to supply this type of vehicle/equipment to other public entities statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing these cooperative contracts provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest opportunity to place the City's vehicle/equipment orders.