

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action (CMD)**

Austin City Council

Item ID:

26355

Agenda Number

21.

Meeting Date:

August 29, 2013

Department:

Contract Management

**Subject**

Authorize execution of a construction contract with MECHANICAL AND PROCESS SYSTEMS LLC for construction and installation of chilled water piping and associated equipment in Austin Energy's district cooling plants and customers' mechanical rooms, in the amount of \$3,953,797.13, with an optional two-year extension, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$7,907,592.26.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Capital Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the extension option is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

**Fiscal Note**

A fiscal note is attached.

**Purchasing Language:**

Lowest responsive bid of four bids received.

**Prior Council Action:**

**For More Information:**

James Matlock, 512-322-6273; Toyce Goodson-Collins, 512-322-6450; Lacy Kuslo, 512-971-7141.

**Boards and Commission Action:**

August 19, 2013 - Unanimously approved by the Electric Utility Commission on a 5-0 vote.

**Related Items:**

**MBE / WBE:**

This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 61.12% MBE prime participation; 0.13% MBE and 1.56% WBE subcontractor participation.

**Additional Backup Information**

Austin Energy's District Cooling Systems serve approximately 60 customers in the Downtown, Mueller, and Domain service areas for which chilled water services are provided to customers for their cooling needs.

The recommended firm for this contract will provide construction services for chilled water piping and associated equipment in Austin Energy's District Cooling Plants and customers' mechanical rooms to serve new customers. In addition to serving new customers, services will be provided to the plants to increase system load and/or improve overall operation, efficiency, and reliability. The construction service projects may include, but are not limited to, new customer connections that include piping in retail stores or high rise condominiums. The optional two-year extension will cost \$3,953,797.

This project will be managed by Austin Energy.

Mechanical and Process Systems is located in Round Rock, Texas.