

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)**

Austin City Council	Item ID:	26440	Agenda Number	56.
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Meeting Date:	August 29, 2013
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Department:	Purchasing
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**Subject**

Authorize award and execution of a 15-month contract through the Texas Multiple Award Schedule cooperative purchasing program with ALPHA DATA CORPORATION, for conversion of the magnetic materials handling and security systems to radio-frequency identification systems at three Austin Libraries, Spicewood Springs Branch, Milwood Branch, and Hampton Branch at Oak Hill, in an amount not to exceed \$181,693. Related to Item # 34.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Capital Budget of the Austin Public Library.

**Fiscal Note**

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Purchase
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	David Kucko, Corporate Contract Administrator/974-3364
Boards and Commission Action:	
Related Items:	
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 solicitation.

**Additional Backup Information**

This project will replace the magnetic materials handling and security systems currently in place at three Austin Public Library locations (the Spicewood Springs, Milwood, and Hampton at Oak Hill Branch Libraries) with newer radio-frequency identification systems (RFID) technology. These three branch libraries will each be equipped with three RFID Self-Checkout machines as well as with RFID security detection systems. This upgrade to RFID technology will improve tracking of Library materials and allow for convenient customer Self-Checkout. Currently, two Austin Public Library locations, the North Village and Twin Oaks Branch Libraries, are equipped with 3M RFID technology. The New Central Library, currently scheduled to open in 2016, will also be equipped with RFID technology. The project is a business priority of the Austin Public Library and will provide tangible improvements to service delivery and access to materials while increasing operational efficiency.