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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	27644	Agenda Number	26.
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Meeting Date:	October 3, 2013
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 36-month requirement supply contract with BADGER METER, INC., for the supply of fire service cold-water meters for the Austin Water Utility (AWU) in an amount not to exceed \$1,482,621 with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$494,207 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,471,035.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$494,207 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the 24- 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:	Lowest bid meeting specifications.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Steve Aden, Purchasing Manager, 512-972-4040
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Boards and Commission Action:	September 11, 2013 - Approved by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 6-0 vote.
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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 solicitation.
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Additional Backup Information

This contract is to establish a readily available source of supply of fire service water meter in sizes of 6"x 2", 8"x 2" and 10"x 2". The Utility sells these high flow water meters to customer such as businesses. The water meters verify water leaks in the distribution system, gallons used per customer, and water demand during peak and non-peak times. This information gathered is vital to the Utility's commitment in keeping customers satisfied.

MBE/WBE solicited: 4/2

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. STA1084

COLD WATER METERS – FIRE SERVICE TYPE
(3 line items)

<u>ITEM NO.</u>	<u>Badger Meter, Inc. Milwaukee, WI</u>	<u>Aqua Metric Sales Co.* Schertz, TX</u>
1. Water Meter 8" X 2"	\$226,560	*
2. Water Meter 6" X 2"	\$104,484	*
3. Water Meter 10" X 2"	<u>\$163,163</u>	*
TOTAL BID:	\$494,207	*

* Aqua Metric Sales product failed to meet the requirements of the specification calling for the meters to have been field service tested within the City's Water Distribution System for a minimum of three years. In addition the product that was being offered did not meet specifications.

NOTE: Complete copy of the bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FASD Purchasing Office website.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- Adequate competition.
- Seventy-four notices were sent, including 4 MBE and 2 WBE firms. Two bids were received, with no MBE or WBE firms responding. One "No Bid" response was received.
- The pricing offered represents a 37% increase from the last contract awarded September 2011.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- Low bid meeting specification.
- The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.