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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	28038	Agenda Number	21.
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Meeting Date:	October 17, 2013
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements service contract with SYNAGRO OF TEXAS – CDR, INC., to provide biosolids hauling and land application for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$4,652,000 with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$4,652,000 per extension option for a total contract amount not to exceed \$13,956,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$4,652,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the 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 received.
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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:	October 9, 2013 - To be reviewed by Water and Wastewater Commission.
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Related Items:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (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 for the loading of bio-solids located at the Austin Water Utility's, Hornsby Bend Bio-solids Management Plant and hauling this material to the contractor's sites for land application or for composting. The bio-solids to be applied or composted will be Class B bio-solids at approximately 14% to 20% solids.

Bio-solids are treated sewage sludge, the solid components of sewage (or wastewater). Sludge is separated from wastewater at the AWU's treatment plants and sent to Hornsby Bend. There the sludge is anaerobically digested which is the process to significantly reduce pathogens. The bio-solids are approved for agricultural land application. The bio-solids are located in drying basins and the belt press area at Hornsby Bend.

Synagro of Texas has been performing this service in Texas for over 20 years through its permitted disposal site in Irving, Texas and land application sites in Colorado and Wharton Counties of Texas. Synagro of Texas is the current provider of these services for the Austin Water Utility.

MBE/WBE solicited: 6/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB NO. STA1091

Bio-Solids Hauling and Land Application Services
15,000 Cubic Yards Per/Year Composting
150,000 Cubic Yards Per/Year Land Application
(Three Line Items)

<u>Item Description:</u>	Synagro of Texas	Terra Renewal Services
	Houston, TX	Richardson, TX
	<u>Unit Price □ Per/CU/YD</u>	<u>Unit Price – Per/CU/YD</u>
1. Regular Hours – Transport and Land Application of Class B Bio-solids:	\$32.90	\$33.96
2. After Hours – Transport and Land Application of Class B Bio-solids:	\$32.90	\$33.96
3. Regular Hours – Bio-solids Composting, Hauling and Applying Compost (Monday thru Friday)	\$25.00	\$21.68

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.

MBE/WBE SUBCONTRACTOR PARTICIPATION SUMMARY

Prime- Synagro of Texas	\$1,581,680	34%
Subcontractor:		

NON MBE/WBE

Sprint Waste Services, L.P.
Houston, TX
Transportation

\$3,070,320

66%

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Ninety-eight notices were sent, including 6 MBE firms. There were no WBE firms listed under this commodity. Two bids were received, no MBE or WBE firms bidding.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 6% increase from the last contract awarded in October 2012.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

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