

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	29730	Agenda Number	48.
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Meeting Date:	January 23, 2014
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Department:	Purchasing
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## Subject

Authorize award and execution of requirements supply contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) with FITNESS IN MOTION to provide treadmills for the Austin Fire Department, in an amount not to exceed \$73,600.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department.

## Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Purchase
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Prior Council Action:	
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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 contract.
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## Additional Backup Information

This contract is for the purchase of 16 commercial treadmills, installation, warranty, and freight for the Austin Fire Department (AFD). The Austin City Council has had a long history of supporting the fitness and performance of firefighters to provide fitness equipment and annual fitness assessments and more recently, training Peer Fitness Trainers within their ranks. Per AFD policy, firefighters are required to perform 60 minutes of physical training per shift.

Currently, there are treadmills in some of the stations since 1996 and have long outlived their life expectancy. Some are out of service and many are malfunctioning to the point of being hazardous while others have been removed and disposed of. Firefighters are required to complete an annual medical exam, aerobic capacity test, and a fitness assessment. These policies are aimed at keeping a high performing workforce as set out in NFPA 1582. Treadmill walking and running are the keystone of a firefighter's fitness program. This requires a skill that all able-bodied AFD personnel possess and can be performed on site at the station. Additionally, it is known to elicit the requisite workload that a firefighter needs to perform their job.

The City has obtained a 49% discount based on volume of units ordered instead of the standard 30% discount listed through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard).