

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	29748	Agenda Number	12.
Meeting Date:	January 30, 2014				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month supply contract through the Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative with TOTER, LLC for the purchase of residential garbage, organic materials, and single-stream recycling carts in an amount not to exceed \$6,693,602.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$3,346,801 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Capital Budget of the Austin Resource Recovery Department. Funding for the remaining months of the original term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Purchase.			
Prior Council Action:	Jonathan Dalchau, Buyer II, 512-974-2938			
For More Information:				
Boards and Commission Action:	January 8, 2014 - Unanimously approved by the Zero Waste Advisory Commission on a 5-0 vote.			
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 contract.			
Additional Backup Information				

This contract is for the purchase and delivery of 99,744 residential trash carts and 40,000 recycling carts and 4,496 organics carts, including lid graphics with RFID tag, for the Austin Resource Recovery Department (ARR).

The trash carts are to be issued for the ARR Pay-As-You-Throw Program, which requires ARR customers to use a City-issued cart for the removal of residential garbage. The purchase of trash carts is necessary to provide ARR with a sufficient supply of 24, 32, 64 and 96-gallon trash carts readily available to replace existing customers' broken carts and to issue new carts to new customers on an as-needed basis.

The recycling carts are to be issued for the ARR Single-Stream Recycling Program, which was initiated in October 2008. The purchase of recycling carts is necessary to provide ARR with a sufficient supply of 64 and 96-gallon recycling carts readily available to replace existing customers' broken carts and to issue new recycling carts to new customers on an as-needed basis.

The organic material carts are to be issued for the ARR Organics Program. Organic materials consist of food waste, yard trimmings, and wood waste that are recycled into compost materials. The purchase of organic carts is necessary to provide ARR with a sufficient supply of 64 and 96-gallon organics carts readily available to replace existing customers' broken carts and to issue new organic recycling carts to new customers on an as-needed basis.

Toter, LLC is under contract with the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) to supply various types of refuse containers (two-wheel carts) and services statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing HGAC contracts provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest opportunity to get the City's equipment on order. Toter, LLC has provided these carts to the City in the past through a cooperative purchase.