

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)**

Austin City Council	Item ID:	31593	Agenda Number	23.
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Meeting Date:	April 17, 2014
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Department:	Purchasing
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**Subject**

Authorize award and execution of a 36-month supply agreements contract through U.S. Communities with THE HOME DEPOT U.S.A., and through The Cooperative Purchasing Network with LOWE'S HOME CENTERS, LLC, for the purchase of building supplies and equipment, in an amount not to exceed \$4,500,000 each and combined, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 each and combined per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$9,000,000.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

Funding in the amount of \$625,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget of various City Departments. Funding for the remaining 31 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:	Cooperative Purchase.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Lynn Rich, Buyer II, 512-974-2076
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Boards and Commission Action:	March 12, 2014 – Unanimously approved by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 7-0 vote. March 17, 2014 - Approved by the Electric Utility Commission. April 8, 2014 - Approved by the Austin Airport Advisory 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 contract.
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**Additional Backup Information**

This contract will provide a reliable source of supplies, equipment, tool rentals and services to be used by various City

departments for daily operation and emergency purchases, as required. Staff will have the ability to obtain all products available from the Home Depot and Lowe's retail stores.

The Home Depot U.S.A. is under contract through U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance and Lowe's Home Centers, LLC, is under contract through The Cooperative Purchasing Network (TCPN) to provide supplies to other public entities state-wide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Using these cooperatives provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest delivery of equipment.