

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)**

Austin City Council	Item ID:	33768	Agenda Number	53.
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Meeting Date:	June 26, 2014
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of contract with LOADOMETER CORPORATION for portable wheel load scales in an amount not to exceed \$78,320.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$78,320 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Special Revenue Fund of the Austin Police Department, Federal Fiscal Year 2013 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG).

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	Sole bid received.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Terra Green, Buyer II, 512-972-4022
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Boards and Commission Action:	
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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 for the purchase of 16 portable wheel load scales for the Austin Police Department's (APD) Highway Enforcement Unit. These scales will be utilized to enforce truck weight limits on public roadways and interstates within the City of Austin jurisdiction per the Texas Transportation Code, Section 621.101 Maximum Weight of Vehicle or Combination. These scales provide a convenient, portable and versatile method of determining the truck weight safely and accurately in all weather conditions and without the use of ramps.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

**BID TABULATION**

**IFB No. TLG0008  
Portable Wheel Load Scales  
1 line item**

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b><u>Total Price</u></b>
<b>Loadometer Corporation Forest Hill, MD</b>	<b>\$78,320</b>

A copy of complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FSD Purchasing Office website.

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Sole bid. Other vendors were contacted but made a business decision not to bid.
- b. Twenty-three notices were sent. There are no known MBEs or WBEs for this commodity code. One bid was received.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 10.2% increase from the last purchase made November 2010. This is due to the increase in exchange rate between the United States dollar and the Swiss Franc; these scales are manufactured in Switzerland.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Sole bid.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Police Departments recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.