

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting	Item ID:	34250	Agenda Number	70.
Meeting Date:	August 7, 2014			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements supply contract with CARBON ACTIVATED CORPORATION, for the purchase of powdered activated carbon for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$1,145,600, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$572,800 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,291,200.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$47,734 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the twenty-three months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid received.			
Prior Council Action:	[REDACTED]			
For More Information:	Steve Aden, Purchasing Manager, 512-972-0047			
Boards and Commission Action:	July 9, 2014 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 6-0 vote.			
Related Items:	[REDACTED]			
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.			

Additional Backup Information

This contract with Carbon Activated Corporation of Phoenix, AZ will provide the Austin Water Utility with a readily available supply of powdered activated carbon that will be purchased on an as needed basis. Powdered activated carbon is a non-toxic water treatment chemical used to control taste and odor in the treatment of tap water. The chemical has been approved by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. STA1128
Powdered Activated Carbon
(520 Tons)

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>TOTAL BID</u>
Carbon Activated Corporation Phoenix, AZ	\$572,800
Standard Carbon, LLC dba Standard Purification Dunnellon, FL	\$599,360
Calgon Carbon Corporation Pittsburg, PA	\$662,400
Cabot Norit Activated Carbon Marshall, TX	\$665,600
Cal-Pacific Carbon, LLC Field Landings, CA	\$707,200
Michigan Renewable Carbon Minneapolis, MN	\$769,700

NOTE: Complete copy of the bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FSD Purchasing Office website.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Seventy-eight notices were sent, including 1 MBE firm. There were no WBE firms listed under this commodity. Six bids were received, with no MBE or WBE firms responding.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 12% decrease from the previous contract awarded July 2011.
- d. The recommended firm is not the current provider.

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.