

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

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| Austin City Council - Commissioner's Court Meeting | Item ID: | 34308 | Agenda Number | 84. |
| Meeting Date: | August 7, 2014 | | | |
| Department: | Purchasing | | | |
| Subject | | | | |
| Authorize award and execution of a sole source contract with HACH COMPANY for the purchase of Filter Trak 660Sc laser Nephelometers (Turbidity Meters) for the Austin Water Utility in a total contract amount not to exceed \$112,404. | | | | |
| Amount and Source of Funding | | | | |
| Funding in the amount of \$112,404 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014 CIP Budget of the Austin Water Utility Department. | | | | |
| Fiscal Note | | | | |
| A fiscal note is attached. | | | | |
| Purchasing Language: | Sole Source. | | | |
| 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 6-0-0-1 vote with Commissioner Clark absent. | | | |
| 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 HACH Company is for the purchase of 20 units of Filter Trak 660Sc Laser Nephelometer (Turbidity Meters) that are needed to replace current meters at Ullrich Water Treatment Plant. The units are over 10 years old and have exceeded their expected useful life of 7 years.

Turbidity is the measure of relative clarity of a liquid. Cloudiness or haziness of water is caused by large numbers of individual particles that are generally invisible to the naked eye. The meters are used to measure the level of turbidity in water being treated and are integral in the production of treated water.

This purchase is necessary for the City to remain in compliance with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. HACH Company is the sole manufacturer and distributor within the United States.