

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)**

<b>Austin City Council</b>	<b>Item ID:</b>	38637	<b>Agenda Number</b>	11.
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	December 11, 2014			
<b>Department:</b>	Purchasing			
<b>Subject</b>				
Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a contract with THE AEGIS GROUP, INC., or one of the other qualified offerors to RFQS No. JRD0500, to provide property valuation services in an amount not to exceed \$380,000.				
<b>Amount and Source of Funding</b>				
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Operating Budget of the Financial Services Department.				
<b>Fiscal Note</b>				
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.				
<b>Purchasing Language:</b>	Best proposal of three proposals evaluated.			
<b>Prior Council Action:</b>	█			
<b>For More Information:</b>	Jonathan Dalchau, Senior Buyer, 512-974-2938			
<b>Boards and Commission Action:</b>	█			
<b>Related Items:</b>	█			
<b>MBE / WBE Related Items:</b>	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (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**

Pursuant to Council Resolution No. 20140612-065, staff initiated a request for qualifications for an expert to review commercial property appraisals to determine if there are grounds for challenging the appraisals of commercial properties that can be proved to be undervalued by the Travis Central Appraisal District. Challenges by a taxing unit are authorized by Chapter 41 of the Texas Property Tax Code. If this Recommendation for Council Action is approved, staff will contract with the approved expert and proceed with the review.

This request allows for the development of an agreement with a qualified offeror that Council selects. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the selected offeror, negotiations will cease with that provider. Staff will return to Council so that Council may select another qualified offeror and authorize contract negotiations with this provider.

MBE/WBE solicited: 16/27

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

#### **APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Best evaluated proposal.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Law Department's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet.