

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

39013

Agenda Number

16.

Meeting Date:

January 29, 2015

Department:

Purchasing

## Subject

Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 60-month requirements service contract with SIEMENS POSTAL PARCEL & AIRPORT LOGISTICS LLC to provide telephone technical support and on-site services for the baggage handling system at Austin-Bergstrom International Airport in an amount not to exceed \$431,250.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$57,500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Operating Budget of the Aviation Department. Funding for the remaining 52 months of the original contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

## Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing  
Language:

Sole Source

Prior Council  
Action:For More  
Information:

Shawn Willett, Corp Contract Compliance Manager, 512-974-2274

Boards and  
Commission  
Action:

January 13, 2015 - Recommended by the Austin Airport Advisory Commission on a 6-0 vote.

Related Items:

MBE / WBE:

This contract will be awarded as a sole source and is exempt from City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program as specified in Texas Government Code Chapter 252.022.

## Additional Backup Information

This contract with Siemens Postal Parcel & Airport Logistics LLC, DFW Airport, TX, ("Siemens") will provide telephone technical support and on-site services for the baggage handling system ("BHS") located at Austin-Bergstrom International Airport ('ABIA'). In November 2001, new airport security regulations for checked baggage requiring 100% baggage screening were added under the Aviation and Transportation Security Act. Working with its airline partners and the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), ABIA achieved full compliance with the new requirements by initiating an ABIA Terminal Baggage Screening Improvement Project. The project was a multi-phased effort for construction; and at the heart of the project, the BHS. The BHS is comprised of two separate centralized conveyor systems designed to continuously feed checked bags to explosive detection scanners, where they are screened for explosives and then ultimately end up on the baggage tugs at the apron level for aircraft loading.

Siemens was the primary integrator and vendor for the BHS network infrastructure, The BHS network consists of multiple explosive detection machines used by the TSA, each communicating with programmable co-processor and program-logic controllers to move bags through the screening process and airline final destination processing.

Siemens will provide all support relating to hardware, software, and system components. This support shall include assistance with troubleshooting, modifying, and refining all software, hardware, and industrial automation control devices related to correcting, improving, or maintaining BHS functionality. The support services shall be provided through a combination of telephone technical support and an onsite technician. Since Siemens designed, integrated, and produced the original BHS network system, Siemens is the only company able to maintain this proprietary product.