

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	40291	Agenda Number	19.
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Meeting Date:	February 26, 2015
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month contract with NEENAH FOUNDRY COMPANY to provide detectable warning plates in an amount not to exceed \$160,114. with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$80,057 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$320,228.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$46,700 is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Operating Budget of the Public Works Department. Funding for the remaining 17 months of the original contract period and extension options are contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid received.
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Prior Council Action:	
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For More Information:	Georgia L. Billela, Buyer II, 512-974-2939
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Related Items:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9 D 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 will provide a supply of detectable warning plates for the Street and Bridge Division. Detectable warning surfaces were first required in 1973 in response to the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act and then Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in 1990. Detectable warning surfaces are “A standardized surface feature built in or applied to walking surfaces or elements to warn of hazards on a circulation path” (ADA standards for Accessible Design 106.5, 2010). These are unique and standardized, intended to function much like a stop sign and to alert pedestrians who are visually impaired to the presence of a hazard in the line of travel. They consist of small truncated domes aligned in a square or radial grid pattern. The ADA Accessibility Guidelines and Standards require detectable warning surfaces on hazardous vehicle ways, transit platforms edges, and curb ramps. The cast iron detectable warning plates are permanently set into concrete during the construction of ADA ramps throughout the city.

MBE/WBE solicited: 0/0

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION
IFB GLB0018
Detectable Warning Plate
(1 line items)

<u>Vendor</u>	Total Bid
Neenah Foundry Company Neenah, WI	\$69,000
EJ Truck San Antonio, TX	\$79,000
ACE Contractor Supply Austin, TX	\$96,000
L. Dianne W. Smith Florence, AL	\$108,000
Piatra, Inc. Austin, TX	\$295,000

A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and on the City's, FSD Purchasing website.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition
- b. 40 notices were sent. There are no known MBEs and/or WBEs for this commodity code. Five bids were received with no response from the MBEs/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 22% decrease from the last purchase made December 2012. This was a one-time purchase of 500 each. The department has increased the need and required a contract.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Public Works Department's recommended award.

c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet.