

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	40387	Agenda Number	28.
Meeting Date:	February 26, 2015			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
Authorize award and execution of a contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative BuyBoard Program with FSG ENERGY, FACILITY SOLUTIONS GROUP for the installation of 90 remote telemetry units in an amount not to exceed \$242,334.				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2014–2015 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.				
Fiscal Note				
A fiscal note is attached.				
Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Purchase.			
Prior Council Action:	█			
For More Information:	Irene Sanchez-Rocha, Senior Buyer, 512-972-0048			
Boards and Commission Action:	February 11, 2015 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 7-0 vote.			
Related Items:	█			
MBE / WBE:	This cooperative 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				

This contract is to purchase service installation of 90 remote telemetry units. Remote telemetry units are remote monitoring devices that will provide data logging and real time monitoring. This will add redundant communication to the lift stations and provide operational data to Water Utility maintenance staff. The remote telemetry units will be installed in multiple lift stations throughout the City. Installation of these units is required in order to comply with Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and Environmental Protection Agency 24 hour monitoring requirements and to minimize operational lift station downtime.

The system in place is a single source notification which requires several employees driving around collecting operational data from each lift station. The use of these units will reduce man hours and travel time in providing the data to the Utility, thereby allow staff more time to address the lift station maintenance issues.