

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)**

<b>Austin City Council</b>	<b>Item ID:</b>	41502	<b>Agenda Number</b>	11.
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	March 12, 2015			
<b>Department:</b>	Purchasing			
<b>Subject</b>				
Authorize award and execution of a 24-month contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative with METRO FIRE APPARATUS SPECIALISTS to provide fire rescue equipment for the Austin Fire Department in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.				
<b>Amount and Source of Funding</b>				
Funding in the amount of \$100,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department.				
<b>Fiscal Note</b>				
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.				
<b>Purchasing Language:</b>	Cooperative Purchase.			
<b>Prior Council Action:</b>	[REDACTED]			
<b>For More Information:</b>	Erin D'Vincent, Senior Buyer Specialist, 512-972-4017.			
<b>Boards and Commission Action:</b>	[REDACTED]			
<b>Related Items:</b>	[REDACTED]			
<b>MBE / WBE:</b>	This cooperative 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 contract.			

Additional Backup Information

This contract is for the purchase of Holmatro and Taskforce Tips fire rescue equipment for the Austin Fire Department (AFD). Holmatro equipment includes rescue and extrication tools used by firefighters. Primarily, these tools are used to extricate the public from vehicle entrapments by bending, prying, pushing, or cutting vehicle components with hydraulic power. AFD's Operations Support also purchases components and parts to maintain and repair Holmatro equipment via in-house, certified technicians.

Taskforce Tips is a manufacturer of firefighting nozzles, tools, and appliances used for the delivery of water at a fire incident. These products are widely used throughout AFD and can be found on fire trucks, brush trucks and some support vehicles.

AFD does not currently have a contract in place for critical first response equipment. They have been processing spot purchases since 2011; a contract with sufficient authority will allow the department to gain a consistent supply source.