

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	41853	Agenda Number	21.
Meeting Date:	March 26, 2015				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a contract with OSBURN MATERIALS, INC. to provide grass seed mix for the Jimmy Clay Golf Course in an amount not to exceed \$400,265.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing	Lowest bid received.		
Language:	Lowest blu feceived.		
Prior Council			
Action:			
For More	Georgia Billela, Buyer II, 512-974-2939		
Information:			
Boards and			
Commission			
Action:			
Related Items:			
MBE / WBE:	This 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 solicitation.		
Additional Backup Information			

The contract will provide golf course grass seed mix for the Jimmy Clay Golf Course for the Parks and Recreation Department (PARD). Jimmy Clay Golf Course was damaged during the 2013 Halloween flood. PARD staff will renovate all 18 putting greens with FEMA reimbursing the City for 75% of the cost for seven greens which were totally submerged under water.

In addition to the flood damage, the greens at Jimmy Clay Golf Course have struggled with nematode infestation (nematodes are insects that feed on the root zone of the plant) resulting in bare spots and poor putting quality. Significant damage caused by the flood and the continued struggle with nematodes have resulted in long term effects to the greens and created a poor quality putting surface. Rounds and revenue at the course have continued to decline by as much as 35% over the last three years due to the subpar playing conditions. The renovation to the Jimmy Clay Golf Course will allow staff to improve conditions and consistency of the course, resulting in an increase in revenue generation.

The new mixture of grass seed mix growing medium is made up of sand particle and organic matter. This material promotes proper moisture control to obtain a healthy high-traffic tolerant turf and meets the design construction spec of the United States Golf Association. The mix will be applied by the Golf Division Staff prior to planting the new hybrid Bermuda grass.

MBE/WBE solicited: 5/0 MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB GLB0021 (1 Line Item)

Vendor Total Bid

Osburn Materials, Inc. \$400,265.00

San Antonio, TX

Texas Sports Sands, Inc. \$410,018.75

Garland, TX

A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City's Financial Services Austin Finance Online website at http://ci.austin.tx.us/financeonline/vendor connection/solicitation/search.cfm

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. 142 notices were sent including five MBEs and no WBEs. Two bids were received with no response from the MBE's/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 22% increase from the last purchase made May 2012. The price index shows an increase of 12% materials, 5% fuel cost, and 25% labor cost

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

a. Lowest bid received.

b.	The Purchasing Office concurs with the Parks and Recreation Department's recommended award.			
c.	Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the Internet.			