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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

46331

Agenda Number

11.

Meeting Date:

June 25, 2015

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month social services contract with the COUNCIL ON AT-RISK YOUTH to operate of a juvenile justice youth program for the Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$128,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$128,000 is available in the City of Austin Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program Grant; also known as "Restore Rundberg".

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:

Best evaluated proposal of two proposals received for the operation of a juvenile justice youth program.

Prior Council Action:



For More Information:

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Boards and Commission Action:



Related Items:

MBE / WBE:

Additional Backup Information

In September 2012, the Austin Police Department (APD) received a grant award from the U.S. Department of Justice to plan and implement a Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation (BCJI) Program. BCJI is a part of the Obama Administration's larger Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative that helps communities develop place-based, community-oriented strategies with coordinated federal support to change neighborhoods of distress into neighborhoods of opportunity. Austin's BCJI program is called Restore Rundberg.

The goals of Restore Rundberg are to improve public safety, address social impacts, and ensure the long-term planning and implementation of revitalization strategies within the Rundberg neighborhood. APD partnered with The University of Texas at Austin to complete an area-wide assessment which resulted in the recommendation that grant funds be set aside for juvenile justice programs.

APD requested proposals from organizations experienced in the operation of a no-fee juvenile justice program for at-risk middle school level youth who reside in or attend school within the Restore Rundberg target area. The program is designed in a manner that supports positive growth and provides a variety of opportunities for youth through both recreational and educational activities serving as options to prevent youth from engaging in criminal or violent activity. Services will be offered between August 2015 and July 2016.

The Council on At-Risk Youth (CARY) proposes to offer both school and community based programming initiatives targeting middle school level youth most likely to become involved in the juvenile justice system. CARY plans to offer the school based and community based components of the program at various Austin Independent School District facilities in the Restore Rundberg area. CARY will work collaboratively with APD and Restore Rundberg staff in the development and implementation of a community communication plan for the recruitment of program participants and necessary volunteers. CARY will attend monthly community meetings as well as monthly meetings with APD staff and staff from the University of Texas at Austin to discuss program priorities, challenges and operations. Additionally, CARY will be responsible for submitting monthly progress reports to APD to include program performance measures and other information such as relevant narratives and media.

The proposals were evaluated by a team comprised of individuals from the APD, Health and Human Services, and the University of Texas at Austin. The evaluation team recommended CARY as the most qualified proposer based on: system concept and solutions proposed, understanding of City requirements, demonstrated applicable experience and personnel qualifications, cost, equipment and facilities, evidence of good organization and management practices, and local presence.

This request allows for the development of a contract with a qualified offeror that Council selects. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory contract with the selected offeror, negotiations will cease with that provider.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/2

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. 209 notices were sent including one MBE and two WBEs. Two proposals were received with no response from the MBE/WBEs.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Best-evaluated proposal of two proposals received.
- b. The Purchasing Office recommends contract award consistent with the findings of the evaluation committee.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the internet.