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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

50203

Agenda Number

29.

Meeting Date:

October 1, 2015

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize execution of a 36-month contract with TEXAS HIGHWAY PRODUCTS LTD to provide signal monitors in an amount not to exceed \$601,119, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$200,373 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,202,238.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$200,373 is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget of the Transportation Department. Funding for the remaining 24-months and extension options is 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.

Prior Council
Action:For More
Information:

Georgia Billela, Buyer II, 512-974-2939

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 signal monitors with Ethernet port for internet protocol Communication (EClip). A signal monitor is required at traffic light intersections by state law and prevents traffic from receiving green lights in different directions at the same time. The EClip has advanced technologies that communicate with the Traffic Management Center and allows remote monitoring and malfunction diagnoses, resulting in quicker response times by technicians. The Traffic Management Center will gain the ability to remotely reset signal monitors during power outages, and to improve traffic flow during peak hours or congestion. Many of the existing units are 10 years old, nearing the end of their useful life.

This contract is necessary in order to stay compliant with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices and to decrease the City's liability. Repairing the older monitors is not cost effective and does not meet the City's long term traffic needs.

MBE/WBE solicited: 3/1

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION
IFB GLB0029
ECLIP SIGNAL MONITOR
1 line item

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Bid Total</u>
Texas Highway Products LTD Round Rock, TX	\$176,750
McClain Inc. Vista CA	\$195,650
Brown Traffic Products, Inc. Austin, TX	\$205,384
Paradigm Traffic Inc. Arlington, TX	\$205,800

A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City's Financial Services Austin Finance Online website at: https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor_connection/solicitation/search.cfm

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. 83 notices were sent including three MBEs and one WBE. Four bids were received with no response from MBEs/WBE. Multiple notices may be sent to the same vendor, e.g. one company may have multiple email addresses/fax numbers listed.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with the Austin Transportation Department's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the internet.