

## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	50853	Agenda Number	23.
Meeting Date:	Octo	ber 15, 2015			
Department:	Purc	hasing			

### Subject

Authorize execution of a 36-month contract with BRAZOS VALLEY HYDROSEEDING LLC to provide hydromulch services in an amount not to exceed \$1,671,231, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$557,077 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,342,462.

### Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$532,077 is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget of the Watershed Protection Department. Funding in the amount of \$25,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget of the Parks & Recreation Department. Funding for the remaining 24- months of the original contract period and extension options are 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 meeting specifications.				
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 2-9C 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 for hydromulch services for the revegetating of creek and water quality pond sites. The primary purpose of revegetation is to control erosion that would occur in areas disturbed by maintenance work under a City general development permit.

Hydromulching is a quick method to generate vegetation and minimize erosion by spreading a mixture of seed, fiber and water over large areas. Hydromulch can be applied with various grass seed mixes that conform to the requirements of the defined area.

The contract expired September 24, 2015. Without the use of hydromulch services at sites that have been disturbed, the City will not meet the Environmental Criteria Manual standards and would be in violation of the Texas/National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System program.

MBE/WBE solicited: 4/5

MBE/WBE bid: 1/0

# BID TABULATION IFB GLB0025 HYDROMULCH SERVICES (3 line items)

<u>Vendor</u> <u>Total Price</u>

Brazos Valley Hydroseeding LLC \$491,400

Brenham, TX

Environmental Allies \$716,000

Houston, TX

Averys Lawn Care & Landscape LLC (MDB)

Round Rock, TX

\* Non-responsive

A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City's Financial Services Austin Finance Online website at: <a href="https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor connection/solicitation/search.cfm">https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor connection/solicitation/search.cfm</a>

#### **PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition
- b.51 notices were sent including four MBEs and five WBEs. Three bids were received including one MBE and no response from the WBEs.
- c. This is the first purchase of its type; therefore, there is no pricing history available. The previous contract was a different mixture and cannot be compared to the new contract.

### **APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

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