

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT

Austin Energy Utility Oversight Committee

Date: October 22, 2015

Agenda Item #: 3

Agenda Item: Recommendation to authorize negotiation and execution of a 24-month contract with MASTEC NORTH AMERICA INC., or another qualified offeror to Request for Proposals GAL0022, for underground transmission and distribution electrical construction services for Austin Energy in an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000 with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$60,000,000.

Vote: Recommended to City Council on a 7-0-1 vote with Council Member Zimmerman abstaining; and Council Members Garza, Kitchen, and Troxclair off the dais.

Sponsors/Department: Austin Energy

Summary of Discussion:

Council Member Zimmerman expressed concern that the item authorized negotiation and execution and would not come back before the City Council for final review. Council Member Zimmerman made a motion to strike "execution" from the posting language, but the motion failed for lack of a second.

Questions were also asked regarding the amount and duration of past contracts. A request was made to provide additional back-up information regarding past contracts for future purchasing items.

Public Comments:

There were no public comments made regarding the item.

Direction: The Committee recommended the item for approval by City Council.

Recommendation: A motion to recommend the item for approval by Council was approved on Vice Chair Pool's motion and seconded by Council Member Casar on a 7-0-1 vote. Council Member Zimmerman abstained. Council Members Garza, Kitchen, and Troxclair were off the dais.