

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	52832	Agenda Number	43.
Meeting Date:	December 17, 2015				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 24-month contract with TECHLINE PIPE LP, to provide manhole covers and rings, in an amount not to exceed \$176,702, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$88,351 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$441,755.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$73,626 is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 14 months of the original contract period 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:	Gabriel Guerrero, Buyer II, 512-322-6060.			
Boards and Commission Action:	November 16, 2015 - Approved by the Electric Utility Commission on a 10-0 vote, with Commissioner Heidebrecht off the dais.			
Related Items:				
MBE / WBE:	This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the goods and services required for this solicitation, there were insufficient subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.			
Additional Backup Information				

The contract is for the purchase of manhole covers and rings used by Austin Energy's underground distribution group to cover manholes on pull boxes to protect internal electrical cable connections. The contract includes 14 different types and sizes of cast iron and ductile iron covers and rings. This contract will be used to replenish stock at Austin Energy's Kramer and St. Elmo warehouses.

This contract would ensure that Austin Energy has the critical parts required for the underground distribution crews to enable timely repairs, maintenance and new projects. The current contract expires on January 10, 2016.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 7/2 MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. GGU0152

Manhole Covers and Rings Annual Price Agreement (14 line items)

Vendor	Items Bid/Items Low	Total Annual Bid
Techline Pipe LP Hutto, TX	14/12	\$88,351
HD Supply Waterworks Pflugerville, TX	13/1*	\$84,189
Neenah Foundry Company Neenah, WI	4/1*	\$50,455

* HD Supply and Neenah Foundry were low bid on one item; however the City deemed it most advantageous to make one award to the overall low bidder, in consideration of the additional costs that the City would incur for administering and monitoring the additional contracts.

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. 119 notices were sent, including seven MBEs and two WBEs. Three bids were received, with no response from the MBEs/WBEs. Multiple notices may be sent to the same vendor; e.g. one vendor may have multiple email address/fax numbers.
- c. The pricing offered represents an 8% price decrease to the last contract awarded in October 2013.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Lowest bid received.
- The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.

c.	Advertised on the Internet.