



Recommendation for Water & Wastewater Commission

Commission Meeting Date:	March 9, 2016
Council Meeting Date:	March 31, 2016
Department:	Purchasing
SUBJECT	
Authorize award and execution of a 12-month contract with SMITH PUMP COMPANY , for the mechanical refurbishment of five potable water pumps in an amount not to exceed \$174,280, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$174,280 for the first extension option and \$79,341 for the second extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$427,901.	
AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING	
Funding in the amount of \$174,280 is available in the Fiscal Year 2015 – 2016 Operating Budget of the Austin Water. Funding for the two extension options are contingent upon available funding in future budgets.	
Purchasing Language:	Lowest responsive bid received.
Prior Council Action:	N/A
For More Information:	Steve Aden, 512-974-2002; Bryan Barnett, 512-972-0162
Boards and Commission Action:	March 9, 2016- To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.
MBE/WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore no goals were established for this solicitation.

The contract will provide for the mechanical refurbishment and startup for five high service potable water pumps at Davis Water Treatment Plant's High Service Pump Station. The pumps were purchased in the 1970s and have undergone wear and tear over the years. The station is in continuous operation and pumps potable water to the north portion of the city. The pumps have run without a major incident since the 1970s but have recently found cracks in key metal parts and cannot be repaired onsite. One pump was refurbished in October 2012, by the recommended vendor.

The Contractor will be given two pumps each year during the period of November through May so the pumps can be refurbished and repaired at its facilities. To refurbish four pumps costs \$87,140 per pump. To refurbish the remaining pump costs \$79,341 making it a total contract amount of \$427,901 to refurbish all five pumps.

The repairs will take approximately 12 weeks to complete at which time they will be returned to the plant for startup and testing. These repairs will allow for the station to maintain its operations and eliminate any risks to the staff and plant operations.

MBE/WBE solicited: 1/2

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. STA1173

Pump Rehabilitation and Startup for Davis Water Treatment Plant
(5 line item)

VENDOR

TOTAL BID

**Smith Pump Company
Waco, TX**

\$427,901

On-Site Equipment Maintenance
Edison, NJ

*

*NOTE: Vendor withdrew bid due to error in the pricing.

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. Sole bid received.
- b. 186 notices were sent, including one MBE and two WBE firms. Two bids were received; however, On-Site Equipment Maintenance withdrew their bid due to a pricing error. No MBE/WBE firms responded.
- c. The price offered represents a 14% increase to the last purchase made in October 2012. This increase can be attributed to the increase in labor and transportation cost.
- d. Smith Pump Company, Inc. was the previous vendor awarded the contract for rehabilitation of these types of pumps.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Low responsive bid.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Water's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and on the internet.