



Recommendation for Water & Wastewater Commission

Commission Meeting Date:	April 13, 2016
Council Meeting Date:	April 21, 2016
Department:	Purchasing
SUBJECT	
Authorize an amendment to the contract with WHELAN SECURITY COMPANY, INC. for additional unarmed security guard and patrol services, for an increase of \$1,479,126 not to exceed \$8,393,490.	
AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING	
Funding in the amount of \$217,519 is available in the Fiscal Year 2015 – 2016 Operating Budget of the Austin Water. Funding for the remaining 34 months of the original contract period and extension options are contingent upon available funding in future budgets.	
Purchasing Language:	Contract Amendment
Prior Council Action:	January 17, 2013- Council approved the original contract. December 11, 2014- Council approved amendment #1.
For More Information:	Danielle Lord, 512-974-2298; Rick Verardi, 512-972-0020
Boards and Commission Action:	April 13, 2016- To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission.
MBE/WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C of the Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore no goals were established for this contract.

The contract with Whelan Security Company, Inc. is to provide unarmed security guard and patrol services at multiple Austin Water (AW) sites, seven days per week including holidays. The Contractor provides 24-hour unarmed security guard services, as well as unarmed roving security services at selected locations. In addition, unarmed patrol guards will be required to perform mobile monitoring and investigation of alarm activations at various other AW sites throughout the City.

The contract was awarded through the competitive process on January 17, 2013, in an amount not to exceed \$2,238,264 for the initial 24-month contract period with two 24-month extension option periods in an amount not to exceed \$2,238,264 per extension option. There are two guards assigned to Waller Creek Center that currently operate the security operations center on a 24-hour, seven day a week basis. The security operation center is located on the 9th floor of the building.

On December 11, 2014, Amendment 1 was approved to add an additional unarmed security guard to the lobby between the hours of 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday while the doors to the facility are unlocked and City observed holidays. The contract was amended to increase the two 24-month extension option periods by \$99,786 each. Changing the not to exceed amount on the contract to \$6,914,364.

This amendment is being requested to increase the contract to accommodate for a 7.9% increase in labor costs supported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The vendor requested the increase to match the current City of Austin minimum Living Wage requirement of \$11.39/hour for contract employees and to comply with the mandatory Federal requirements for the Affordable Care Act. The amendment will also provide 5 additional security posts at Austin Water locations, which will monitor access into secure sites and provide increased security coverage.

If the City is unable to amend this contract, the current contract will no longer have sufficient funding and will terminate early. This contract is necessary for the protection of public drinking water.

Contract Summary		
Action	Description	Authorization
Council Authorization January 17, 2013, item 34	Original Contract Authorization	\$6,714,792
Amendment 1 December 11, 2014, item 70	Increase the two extension options by \$99,786 per option.	\$199,572
Proposed Amendment	Increase base term by \$493,042. Increase extension option one by \$493,042. Increase extension option two by \$493,042	\$1,479,126
Revised Total Contract Authorization		\$8,393,490