

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: October 4, 2018

Item Number: **015**

Purchasing Office

Authorize award and execution of a multi-term contract with Fortiline, Inc. D/B/A Fortiline Waterworks, to provide manhole covers and rings, for up to five years in an amount not to exceed \$456,185. (Note: 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 required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.).

Lead Department	Purchasing Office.
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$91,237 is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.
Purchasing Language	The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 1100 JMF0106 for these goods. The solicitation issued on March 5, 2018, and it closed on March 27, 2018. Of the four offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the lowest responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids received, is available for viewing on the City’s Financial Services website, Austin Finance Online. Link: Solicitation Documents <https://www.ci.austin.tx.us/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=123990> .
For More Information	Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager’s Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov <mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov> NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation’s Authorized

	Contact Person: Julia Finn, at 512-322-6060 or Julia.Finn@austinenergy.com <mailto:Julia.Finn@austinenergy.com>.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action	September 17, 2018 - Recommended unanimously by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote, with Commissioners Vaughn and Wray absent and one vacancy.
Client Department(s)	Austin Energy.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for the purchase of cast iron manhole covers and rings used by Austin Energy's underground distribution group to cover manholes on pull boxes to protect internal electrical cable connections. These contracts include 14 different types and sizes of cast iron and ductile iron coverings and rings. The contract will be used to replenish stock at Austin Energy's Kramer and St. Elmo warehouses for issuance to field crews as required for repairs, maintenance, and new projects.

The previous contract expired May 14, 2018. The warehouse has not purchased these items since the expiration, but will purchase via open market until the new contract is in place if necessary. The authority requested is consistent with historical usage with a 20% increase forecasted for growth.

Contract Detail:

Contract Term	Length	Contract of Term Authorization
Initial Term	2 yrs.	\$182,474
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$ 91,237
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$ 91,237
Optional Extension 3	1 yr.	\$ 91,237
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$456,185

Note:Contract Authorization amounts are based on the City's estimated annual usage.