



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-1415, **Agenda Item #:** 20.

4/25/2019

Posting Language

Authorize award of a multi-term contract with Techline Pipe LP, to provide fire hydrants, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$805,150.

(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.

Client Department(s)

Austin Water.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$67,096 is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget of Austin Water. 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) 2200 GLB1014 for these goods. The solicitation issued on January 7, 2019 and it closed on January 24, 2019. Of the five 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.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=129011)
<https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=129011>.

For More Information:

Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or

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NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: Georgia Billela, at 512-974-2939 or Georgia.billela@austintexas.gov <<mailto:Georgia.billela@austintexas.gov>>.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

April 10, 2019 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 9-0 vote, with Commissioner Schmitt absent.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is to provide various sizes of fire hydrants for Austin Water. The pipeline maintenance and rehabilitation crews install fire hydrants where the City water mains exist within the City's water service area.

New hydrants are installed when existing hydrants cannot be repaired or have been destroyed. Installation is governed by the Fire Code and the Land Development Code. In addition to fire protection, fire hydrants are used for monitoring static and flowing water pressure, flushing out mains after repairs, and purging trapped air.

The current contract will expire on June 18, 2019. The requested authorization amounts for the contract were determined using departmental estimates and historical spending. The variable demand of required fire hydrants and the lead time to receive the necessary items makes it essential to maintain stock in the warehouse. The recommended contractor is the current provider of these goods.

Contract Detail:

<u>Contract Term</u>	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Contract Authorization</u>
Initial Term	2 yrs.	\$322,060
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$161,030
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$161,030
Optional Extension 3	1 yr.	\$161,030
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$805,150

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