



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-2768, **Agenda Item #:** 59.

9/19/2019

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of cooperative contracts to purchase vehicles in amounts not to exceed \$173,758 divided among the contractors.

(Note: These procurements were 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 these procurements, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Austin Police Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Police Federal Department of Treasury Asset Forfeiture Fund of the Austin Police Department.

Purchasing Language:

Multiple cooperative purchase programs were reviewed for these goods. The Purchasing Office has determined these contractors best meet the needs of the department to provide the goods required at the best value for the City.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

These contracts are for the purchase of six undercover vehicles for the Austin Police Department to be used in confidential investigations such as high-risk warrants, surveillance, and undercover activities. Due to the confidential nature of this purchase no additional information can be disclosed.

The Houston-Galveston Area Council and the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative, administered by the Texas Association of School Boards, Inc. (BuyBoard) cooperatives establish competitively bid contracts that can be utilized by the State and other government agencies through a cooperative agreement. Cooperative agreements save taxpayer dollars by leveraging the State's volume-buying power to drive down costs on hundreds of contracts through a streamlined cooperative purchasing program.