City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-3399, **Agenda Item #:** 42.   11/14/2019

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a cooperative contract with Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc. D/B/A Sirius Computer Solutions, for the purchase of International Business Machines' software licenses, maintenance and support, software as a service, subscription services, and related professional services, for a term of four years for a total contract amount not to exceed $43,000,000.

(Note: This procurement 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 and services required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of $6,137,066 is available in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

The Purchasing Office has determined this contractor best meets the needs of the department to provide the services required at the best value for the City.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

October 14, 2019 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 7-1-1 vote, with Commissioner Boyle voting against, Commissioner Wray recused, and Commissioners Collier-Brown, Funkhouser and Hopkins absent.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide continuity of services for Austin Energy's on-going International Business Machines (IBM) software portfolio projects. The services covered by the contract include software licenses, maintenance and support, software as a service (SaaS), subscription services, and related professional services. Software in the portfolio supports Austin Energy's application development platform and delivery of customer facing websites, allows for data integration and data governance in support of enterprise applications, supports enterprise work and asset management, enables software testing, and secures applications and data for the

enterprise. Additionally, the contract will support the ongoing project to replace the legacy STORMS work management system that has reached end of life. The replacement of STORMS with IBM's Maximo for Utilities, aligns with the phased enterprise deployment of Maximo and allows Austin Energy to deploy a modern toolset for distribution and transmission work management, asset management, and mobility to function within a fully supported technology suite and remain on a supported contractor road map.

The State of Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative establishes 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.