



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-3470, **Agenda Item #:** 41.

12/5/2019

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Sparx Systems North America, to provide an enterprise architect software tool, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$336,000.

(Note: Sole source contracts are exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Austin Convention Center Department; Austin Energy; Austin Police Department; Austin Water; Communications and Technology Management; Municipal Court; Public Works; 311.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Purchasing Language:

Sole Source.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

November 18, 2019 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 7-0 vote, with Vice Chair Hopkins and Commissioners Funkhouser and Wray absent, and Commissioner Hadden off the dais.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide the City with an enterprise architecture software tool to map current environments and plan for the development, integration, and implementation of new technologies. The software tool, which will be managed and funded by Austin Energy, will also allow enterprise architects across the entire City to facilitate and share architectural analysis and componentry between all departments. This will facilitate more effective and timely strategic decision making for critical systems and promotes the "government that works" agenda for the City.

This is a new sole source contract. Market research was conducted to analyze the functionality of nine different enterprise architecture software products to determine if they could meet all of the City's functional requirements. The Sparx Enterprise Architect software tool was the only one found to meet all the requirements.

