



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-2780, **Agenda Item #:** 42.

9/17/2020

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract with Techline Inc., to provide design, fabrication and purchase of steel transmission poles, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.

(Note: This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C, Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the goods and services required for this solicitation, 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 \$250,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 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 a Request for Proposals (RFP) 1100 MMH3010 for these goods and services. The solicitation issued on February 3, 2020 and it closed on March 5, 2020. Of the six offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the best evaluated responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a log of offers 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=134081)

[<https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=134081>](https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=134081).

For More Information:

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NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: Melita L. Harden, at 512-322-6148 or melita.harden@austintexas.gov [<mailto:melita.harden@austintexas.gov>](mailto:melita.harden@austintexas.gov).

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

August 10, 2020 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 7-0 vote, with Commissioners Hadden and Stone off the dais, Commissioner Wray absent and one vacancy.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for the design, fabrication, and purchase of transmission steel poles to be used for Austin

Energy's transmission and maintenance projects. The contract will ensure requirements for design, fabrication and finishing of the poles for installation of new facilities and existing locations. The purchase of this equipment will be made on an as-needed basis in order to maintain the reliability of the electrical system and to support construction and development activities in Austin Energy's service area.

This contract will replace the previous contract which expired on June 20, 2020. The recommended contractor was not the previous provider for these goods and services.

An evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the offers and scored Techline Inc. the best to provide these goods and services based on technical concept and solution, performance capability, delivery lead times, prior experience, price, local preference, and service-disabled veteran business enterprise.

Contract Detail :

Contract Term	Length of Term	Contract Authorization
Initial Term	2 yrs.	\$ 6,000,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$ 3,000,000
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$ 3,000,000
Optional Extension 3	1 yr.	\$ 3,000,000
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$15,000,000

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

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government that Works for All.