



Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-2954, **Agenda Item #:** 24.

10/1/2020

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term cooperative contract with Unifirst Holdings, Inc. D/B/A Unifirst Corporation, to provide rental and laundering of flame-resistant uniforms, for up to 63 months for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,827,000.

(Note: This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the services required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting; 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:

Multiple cooperative purchase programs were reviewed for these services. 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:

September 14, 2020 - Recommended unanimously by the Electric Utility Commission on a 10-0 vote, with Commissioner Wray absent.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide rental and professional laundering services of flame-resistant uniforms for Austin Energy. The services are for uniforms for certain job duties requiring flame-resistant materials as part of the employee's personal protective equipment. Currently, Austin Energy purchases uniforms, and employees are responsible for their cleaning. The new contract will standardize the care of the uniforms and ensure that the protective qualities of the uniforms are maintained for the life of the garment. Additionally, the contractor will hold extra uniforms in stock to minimize delay when Austin Energy needs new or replacement uniforms.

Sourcewell/National Joint Powers Alliance 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.

Contract Detail:

<u>Contract Term</u>	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Contract Authorization</u>
Initial Term	51 months	\$1,479,000
Optional Extension 1	12 months	\$ 348,000
TOTAL	63 months	\$1,827,000

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

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government That Works for All; Safety.