



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-1009, **Agenda Item #:** 39.

2/4/2021

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with DNV GL USA, Inc., to provide a utility asset management software solution, maintenance, and support, for a term of ten years in an amount not to exceed \$800,000.

(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 Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$132,000 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:

Sole Source.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

January 11, 2021 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 9-0 vote, with Commissioner Stone off the dais and Commissioner Wray absent.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide the Cascade utility asset management software solution, which includes licenses, maintenance and support. The Cascade software allows Austin Energy to monitor critical assets, tracking age, usage, and maintenance history. Cascade's utility asset management system uses data analytics, predictive maintenance and preventive maintenance, to minimize the risk of equipment failure, while maximizing equipment lifetimes. The results are seen in gained efficiency, lower risk and reduced costs, with maximum uptime and reliability of service for Austin Energy. The maintenance and support include software updates, modifications, and fixes as well as technical support, to ensure that the software continues to perform as intended.

Cascade software was competitively bid in 1996 and was renewed as a sole source contract in 2009. DNV GL

USA, Inc. remains the sole supplier and supporter of the Cascade software.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Safety; Government That Works for All.