



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-1545, **Agenda Item #:** 28.

4/22/2021

Posting Language

Authorize award of three multi-term contracts with Act Pipe & Supply, Inc., Core & Main, L.P., and Techline Pipe, L.P., to provide brass fittings, each for up to five years for total contract amounts not to exceed \$1,650,000, divided among the contractors.

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

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Austin Water.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$137,500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Operating Budget of Austin Water. Funding for the remaining contract terms is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 2200 PAT1040 for these goods. The solicitation issued on November 23, 2020 and it closed on January 7, 2021. Of the four offers received, the recommended contractors submitted the lowest responsive offers. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids 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=134846)
<https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=134846>.

For More Information:

Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov <<mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov>>

NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: Paul Trimble, at 512-974-1714 or paul.trimble@austintexas.gov <<mailto:paul.trimble@austintexas.gov>>.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

April 7, 2021 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on a 9-0 vote, with Commissioner Michel absent.

Additional Backup Information:

These contracts will provide for the supply of brass pipe and brass coupling fittings utilized by the City for

installation and repair services. The contracts will enable service crews to connect new customer accounts and repair existing customer water line breaks. Brass fittings are designed to withstand high temperatures and are the best fitting material for distributing water and providing exceptional conductivity to improve the efficiency of the distribution system.

The current contracts for these goods expire on April 10, 2021 and August 3, 2021. One of the recommended contractors is the current provider for these goods. Authorization amounts are based on historical spending and forecasted needs.

Failure to have these fittings on hand and immediately available for repairs will have a negative impact on operations and service to the public.

Contract Detail:

<u>Contract Term</u>	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Contract Authorization</u>
Initial Term	2 yrs.	\$ 660,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$ 330,000
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$ 330,000
Optional Extension 3	1 yr.	\$ 330,000
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$1,650,000

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

Strategic Outcome(s):

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