



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-3353, **Agenda Item #:** 19.

11/18/2021

Posting Language

Authorize award of a contract with KBS Electrical Distributors Inc. to provide a station service voltage transformer, in an amount not to exceed \$67,000.

(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 Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Purchasing Language:

The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 1100 PMC1001REBID for this good. The solicitation was issued on July 12, 2021 and closed on July 27, 2021. Of the four offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the lowest responsive offer. 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.

[Solicitation Documents](#)

https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=135562.

For More Information:

Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or

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NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Persons: Perla Colon at, 512-322-3550 or Perla.Colon@austintexas.gov <<mailto:Perla.Colon@austintexas.gov>> or Liz Lock at, 512-322-6251 or Liz.Lock@austintexas.gov <<mailto:Liz.Lock@austintexas.gov>>.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

November 8, 2021 - To be reviewed by the Electric Utilities Commission.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide a 362kV class oil-free station service voltage transformer (SSVT). This transformer is cleaner and environmentally responsible, preventing oil spills throughout the substation and eliminating the

need to dispose of oil.

The SSVT will be installed inside Austin Energy's new Cistern substation interconnecting solar energy to Austin Energy's transmission system. This SSVT will reduce voltage, while increasing the electrical current required for the proper functioning of air conditioning and protective relays.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government that Works for All.