



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1310, Agenda Item #: 14.

3/3/2022

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract with Power Grid Engineering, LLC to provide relay services, for up to five years in an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000.

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

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

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

Purchasing Language:

The Financial Services Department issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) 1100 DTB3007 for these services. The solicitation issued on August 23, 2021, and it closed on September 14, 2021. Of the five 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://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=135356)
<https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=135356>.

For More Information:

Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: DeJuan Brown, at 512-322-6472 or DeJuan.Brown@austintexas.gov
<<mailto:DeJuan.Brown@austintexas.gov>>.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

February 14, 2022 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote with Vice Chair Tuttle and Commissioner Ferchill absent and one vacancy.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide relay services for Austin Energy on an as needed basis. These services include the labor and equipment for routine and emergency work associated with system testing and commissioning guidelines set forth by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation and Electric Reliability Council of Texas. Relays are devices that protect high voltage transmission lines, substation equipment, and the

distribution system from faults in the electric power system.

An evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the offers and scored Power Grid Engineering, LLC, as the best offeror to provide these services based on price, program concept and strategy/ sample work projects, relevant company experience, service-disabled veteran's business enterprise, and local preference.

Contract Detail:

<u>Contract Term</u>	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Contract Authorization</u>
Initial Term	3 yrs.	\$3,600,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$1,200,000
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$1,200,000
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$6,000,000

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

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government that Works for All.