



## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 22-2052, **Agenda Item #:** 30.

6/9/2022

### **Posting Language**

Authorize award of two contracts with Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists Inc. and The Supply Cache, Inc. to provide wildfire equipment and supplies, each for a term of five years for total contract amounts not to exceed \$955,000 divided between 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**

Financial Services Department.

### **Client Department(s)**

Austin Fire Department.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$63,667 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operating Budget of the Austin Fire Department. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

### **Purchasing Language:**

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 8300 RGW1000 for these goods. The solicitation was issued on February 14, 2022, and it closed on March 22, 2022. Of the two 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://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account\\_services/solicitation/solicitation\\_details.cfm?sid=136010](https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=136010).

### **For More Information:**

Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: Richard Whipple, at 512-974-3349 or [Richard.Whipple@austintexas.gov](mailto:Richard.Whipple@austintexas.gov)

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### **Additional Backup Information:**

These contracts will provide wildfire equipment and supplies for various wildfire and rescue events managed by the Austin Fire Department (AFD) in and around the City of Austin. The equipment and supplies included in this contract will be utilized by firefighters within the AFD to respond to wildfires.

Authorization amounts for these contracts were determined based on projected spending to outfit AFD

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personnel with equipment and supplies.

If the City is unable to secure a contract, the AFD will not have a reliable and continuous source for wildfire equipment and supplies. In addition, the City will be forced to procure these items on an as-needed basis, which may result in higher prices and additional operational cost.

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

Health and Environment, Safety.