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Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Butler & Land Technologies, LLC to provide online substation battery monitoring systems, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed $1,000,000.

(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

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of $33,333 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 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:

July 18, 2022 - To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide installation of battery monitors, online battery monitoring, and training for Austin Energy personnel on safe and effective monitoring practices. Austin Energy has standardized on the Alber battery monitoring system for its utility bulk power applications. This system is compatible with Austin Energy's Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system and network topology and is also compliant with National Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) standards.

This is a sole source contract as Butler & Land Technologies, LLC is the sole distributor of Alber products.

This contract will replace the current contract that expires August 28, 2022. Without this contract, Austin Energy will face compliance issues with the NERC standard, resulting in substantial fines and penalties.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government that Works for All.