



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2280, **Agenda Item #:** 25.

7/28/2022

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Able Moving LLC d/b/a Able Machinery Movers LLC to provide relocation services of industrial electrical inventory, in an amount not to exceed \$550,000.

(Note: This contract is exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9D 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 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Purchasing Language:

Austin Energy is designating this purchase as a Critical Business Need in accordance with Senate Bill 7, as adopted by the City as Resolution No. 040610-02.

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 relocation services of industrial electrical inventory from Austin Energy's current laydown yard located on Kramer Lane in Northwest Austin to a new laydown yard on East Yager Lane in Northeast Austin. Due to projected growth and utility requirements in the Domain area, there is an urgent need to build a new substation at the current laydown yard location. Before substation construction can commence, the current laydown yard must be relocated.

There are a limited number of companies with expertise to move industrial electrical inventory, which includes items such as heavy reels of cable, transformers, crosol wood poles, PVC pipes, and rebar rods, some of which are environmentally sensitive. In an attempt to obtain the best value for the City, the Financial Services Department published a formal competitive solicitation. This contractor was the sole bidder but was disqualified for failing to submit a legally binding offer. In order to remain on schedule with construction of the new substation, Austin Energy vetted the contractor for their experience and capability to complete the work and declared a Critical Business Need to enter into a contract directly with this contractor.

Strategic Outcome(s):

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