



Item 2
22-2411

Water & Wastewater Commission: August 10, 2022
Council: September 1, 2022

Posting Language

Recommend approval to negotiate and execute a cooperative contract with DeSpain & Associates, Inc. d/b/a DAI Source for maintenance and support of a web-based integrated business intelligence suite, for a term of three years in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.

MBE/WBE

This procurement 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 procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.

Lead Department

Financial Services Department

Client Department

Austin Water Chief Information Officer, David Johnson

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$119,784 is contingent upon approval of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget of Austin Water. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language

Multiple contractors within this cooperative purchasing program were reviewed for these services. The Financial Services Department has determined this contractor best meets the needs of the department to provide the services required at the best value for the City.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action

August 10, 2022 - To be reviewed by the Water & Wastewater Commission

Additional Backup Information

The contract will provide maintenance and support of IBM Cognos, a web-based integrated business intelligence suite, for Austin Water. IBM Cognos software is used for reports and dashboards that include key performance indicators related to safety, equity, performance measures, customer service, water conservation reports, and treatment asset data. IBM Cognos is used by various divisions within Austin Water including finance, human resources, engineering, pipeline operations, and laboratory.

The State of Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative establishes competitively bid contracts that can be utilized by the State and other government agencies through a cooperative agreement. Cooperative agreements save taxpayer dollars by leveraging the State's volume-buying power to drive down costs on hundreds of contracts through a streamlined cooperative purchasing program.

Strategic Outcome(s)

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