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# City of Austin

#### Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-2714, Agenda Item #: 45.

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#### Posting Language

Authorize award of two contracts with Elk Electric Inc. and Smart Charge Residential, LLC for electric vehicle charging station maintenance and repair, each for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$1,375,000, divided between the contractors.

(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. However, one of the recommended contractors identified subcontracting opportunities).

## **Lead Department**

Financial Services Department.

### Client Department(s)

Aviation, Austin Energy.

#### Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$16,667 is available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operating Budget of Aviation. 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) 8100 SLW1062 for these services. The solicitation was issued on February 7, 2022 and closed on March 3, 2022. Of the seven 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

<a href="https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account-services/solicitation/solicitation-details.cfm?sid=135825">https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account-services/solicitation/solicitation-details.cfm?sid=135825>.

#### For More Information:

Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: Sandy Wirtanen, at 512-974-7711 or <a href="mailto:sandy.wirtanen@austintexas.gov">sandy.wirtanen@austintexas.gov</a> <a href="mailto:sandy.wirtanen@austintexas.gov">sandy.wirtanen@austintexas.gov</a>.

#### Additional Backup Information:

These contracts will provide maintenance, replacement parts, repairs, and related services on electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure for stations located in the City. These services are required to ensure the EV charging station infrastructure continues to provide reliable energy to EV drivers and ground support equipment. The contractors are responsible for testing and monitoring equipment, maintaining historical data, planning regular maintenance schedules, and repairs. These contracts also support the City's goals of sustainability, energy efficiency, and a commitment to renewable energy.

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The previous contract was cancelled on September 16, 2021. The estimates are based on historical data and the projected needs based on the airport's rapid growth. As the airport expands to meet the higher passenger traffic, the City must continue to invest in infrastructure with sustainable technology to meet our goals of carbon neutrality. The recommended contractors are not the previous provider for these services.

# Strategic Outcome(s):

Mobility, Health and Environment.