

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-3052, Agenda Item #: 8.

10/13/2022

Posting Language:

Ratify amendments to contracts for polyvinyl chloride conduit and accessories with Texas Electric Cooperatives, Techline Inc., and Wesco Distribution, Inc. d/b/a Hi-Line Utility Supply Co, LLC a/k/a Power Supply in the amount of \$230,000, for total revised contract amounts not to exceed \$1,058,663, divided among the contractors.

(Note: These contracts were 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 these contracts, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department:

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s):

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note:

Funding was available in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Purchasing Language:

Ratification.

Prior Council Action:

June 14, 2018 - Council approved the original contracts, item 44, on a 11-0 vote. Techline Inc. was awarded the contract for line items 13 and 105 through the casting of lots.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

These contracts provide polyvinyl chloride (PVC) conduit and accessories for Austin Energy to run cable to underground electrical vaults and duct banks. These products are utilized to maintain and install underground feeders that run electric current to customers' meters.

Global supply chain disruptions have severely impacted the PVC market. An unprecedented shortage of PVC has caused extremely long lead times to fill orders and pushed prices to a record high, causing faster than anticipated spend rates on these contracts. In order to sync Austin Energy's construction schedules with current lead times, it was necessary for Austin Energy to place orders prior to requesting Council approval for additional funding authorization.

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Contract Detail:

		Current	Requested	Revised
Contract	Length	Contract	Additional	Total
<u>Term</u>	of Term	Authorization	Authorization	Authorization
Initial Contract	5 yrs.	\$828,663		\$ 828,663
Ratification Amendments			\$230,000	\$ 230,000
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$828,663	\$230,000	\$1,058,663

Note: Contract Authorization amounts are based on the City's estimated annual usage.

Strategic Outcome(s): Government that Works for All.