



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-3054, **Agenda Item #:** 9.

10/13/2022

Posting Language:

Authorize 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 to increase the amount by \$370,000, for revised total contract amounts not to exceed \$1,428,663, 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 is available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Purchasing Language:

Contract Amendments.

Prior Council Action:

June 14, 2018 - Council approved the original contract, 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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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

September 12, 2022 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0-1 vote with Commissioner Hadden abstaining and two vacancies.

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. Additional funding is needed to secure PVC conduit and accessories in Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Contract Detail:

Contract Term	Length of Term	Current Contract Authorization	Requested Additional Authorization	Revised Total Authorization
Initial Contract	5 yrs.	\$828,663		\$ 828,663
Ratification Amendments			\$230,000	\$ 230,000
Proposed Amendments			\$305,100	\$ 370,000
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$828,663	\$535,100	\$1,428,663

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

Strategic Outcome(s):

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