



## Recommendation for Action

**File #: 22-3371, Agenda Item #: 20.**

11/15/2022

### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of three contracts for solid waste consultant services with Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc., Newgen Strategies and Solutions, LLC, and Risa Weinberger & Associates, each for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, divided among 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].

### **Lead Department**

Financial Services Department.

### **Client Department(s)**

Austin Resource Recovery.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$100,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget of Austin Resource Recovery. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

### **Purchasing Language:**

The Financial Services Department issued a Request for Qualification Statements (RFQS) 1500 JTH4011REBID for these services. The solicitation was issued on March 7, 2022 and closed on April 5, 2022. Of the six offers received, the recommended contractors submitted the best evaluated, responsive offers. A complete solicitation package, including a log of offers received, is available for viewing on the City's Financial Services website, Austin Finance Online. Link: [Solicitation Documents](https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=136644)  
<[https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account\\_services/solicitation/solicitation\\_details.cfm?sid=136644](https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=136644)>.

### **For More Information:**

Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: Al Drayton, at 512-974-2298 or [alfonso.drayton@austintexas.gov](mailto:alfonso.drayton@austintexas.gov)  
<<mailto:Jim.Howard@austintexas.gov>>.

### **Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

November 9, 2022 - To be reviewed by the Zero Waste Advisory Commission.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

These contracts provide consulting services in support of Austin Resource Recovery's (ARR) Zero Waste by 2040. An integral part of the ARR's Comprehensive Plan is to reduce the amount of trash sent to landfills by 90 percent by the year 2040. These contracts will produce new strategies for managing, reducing and eliminating

waste, facility and infrastructure planning, workforce planning, and implementing aspects of the comprehensive plan.

These are new contracts and a new initiative.

An evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the offers and scored Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc., Newgen Strategies and Solutions, LLC, and Risa Weinberger & Associates as the best to provide these services based on demonstrated applicable experience, project approach and methodology, and project management structure.

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

Health and Environment, Government that Works for All.