Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-3771, **Agenda Item #:** 13. 1/26/2023

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term cooperative contract to provide products and maintenance services for Recorded Future software with CDW LLC d/b/a CDW Government, for up to three years for a total contract amount not to exceed $840,000.

[Note: This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Programs). For the goods and services required for this procurement, there were insufficient or no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.

Lead Department:

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s):

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note:

Funding in the amount of $232,007 is available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. 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 goods and services. The Financial Services Department has determined this contractor best meets the needs of the department to provide the goods and services required at the best value for the City.

For More Information:

Inquiries should be directed to Chu Hull, at 512-978-1919 or Chu.Hull@austintexas.gov <mailto:Chu.Hull@austintexas.gov>.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

January 9, 2023- Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Hopkins and Bowen absent and two vacancies.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is to provide Recorded Future software products and services for Austin Energy. Recorded Future is a cybersecurity company that specializes in the analysis of data to deliver relevant cyber threat intelligence.

Austin Energy requires threat intelligence systems to improve Austin Energy's cybersecurity posture against malicious threats to reduce the impact of system compromise by blocking communication with malicious entities.

The State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) 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 Texas's volume-buying power to drive down costs on hundreds of contracts through a streamlined cooperative purchasing program.

Contract Detail:

Contract Term	Length of Term	Contract Authorization
Initial Term	1 yr.	$280,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	$280,000
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	$280,000
TOTAL	**3 yrs.**	**$840,000**

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

Strategic Outcome(s):

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