



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-1494, **Agenda Item #:** 8.

4/13/2023

Posting Language

Authorize execution of a contract for polyurethane foam backfill with Priester-Mell & Nicholson, Inc., for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$575,000.

[Note: This solicitation was 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 this solicitation, there were 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 \$57,500 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:

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 1100 CSZ1010 for these goods. The solicitation was issued on September 5, 2022, and closed on October 11, 2022. Of the three offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the lowest responsive offer. 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](https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=136674)

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For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

March 20, 2023 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 6-0 vote, with Commissioners Bowen, Ferchill, Hadden and Jonker absent and one vacancy.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide polyurethane foam backfill and conductive polyurethane foam backfill for Austin Energy. When a utility pole is installed, the foam is used to properly set the pole and provide stabilization. This contract will replenish stock at Austin Energy warehouses for issuance to utility crews on an as needed basis.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government that Works for All.