



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-1899, **Agenda Item #:** 25.

6/1/2023

Posting Language

Authorize execution of a contract to provide pole climbing equipment with Techline Inc., for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.

[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 \$100,000 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 DCM1057 for these goods. The solicitation was issued on January 30, 2023, and closed on February 28, 2023. Of the five 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=138162)
<https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=138162>.

For More Information:

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to the Financial Services Department - Central Procurement at: FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov or 512-974-2500. Respondents to the solicitation and their Agents should direct all questions to the Authorized Contact Person identified in the solicitation.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

May 8, 2023 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 7-0 vote with three absences and one vacancy.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for new and replacement pole climbing equipment. The equipment is used to safely climb poles when they are not bucket-accessible or when property damage could be caused by operating a bucket on personal property. The contract will ensure that Austin Energy has the necessary equipment required for the

continued safety of their employees.

Contract Detail:

<u>Contract Term</u>	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Contract Authorization</u>
Initial Term	2 yrs.	\$ 600,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$ 300,000
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$ 300,000
Optional Extension 3	1 yr.	\$ 300,000
TOTAL	5 yrs.	\$1,500,000

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