



## Recommendation for Action

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract for respiratory protective masks, equipment, and accessories with Mallory Safety and Supply, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$82,900.

[Note: This procurement 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 procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established].

### **Lead Department**

Financial Services Department.

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

Austin Police Department.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget of the Austin Police Department.

### **Purchasing Language:**

Multiple cooperative purchase programs were reviewed for these goods. The Financial Services Department has determined this contractor best meets the needs of the department to provide the goods required at the best value for the City.

### **For More Information:**

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to the Financial Services Department - Central Procurement at: [FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov](mailto:FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov) or [512-974-2500](mailto:FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov).

### **Additional Backup Information:**

The contract is for the purchase of respiratory protective masks, equipment, and accessories for the Austin Police Department's Special Weapons and Tactics team. These respiratory protective masks both contain and deliver breathable compressed air. They are typically used while operating in areas that have dangerous levels of smoke, hazardous material, or toxic gases.

The respiratory protective masks are also necessary when police officers respond to chemical, biological, radiological, or nuclear incidents and must make the scene safe for fire and emergency medical resources to operate. The respiratory protective masks with attached filters can be used during operations when there is a need to prevent police officers from inhalation of drugs such as fentanyl powder and other substances suspended in the air. The voice assembly will allow police officers to communicate efficiently while wearing the respiratory protective masks.

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The OMNIA 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 the State's volume-buying power to drive down costs on hundreds of contracts through a streamlined cooperative purchasing program.

If a contract is not secured, this could result in the City not having appropriate safety equipment in the field for tactical operations.