

CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION
VENDOR: MPW INDUSTRIAL SERVICES GROUP INC

COUNCIL DATE: 7/20/2023

SUBJECT:

Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract to provide mobile demineralizer rental and water treatment parts, with MPW Industrial Services Group Inc, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$500,000.

MBE/WBE:

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 goods and services required for this solicitation, there were no certified M/WBEs; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.

LEAD DEPARTMENT: Financial Services Department

CLIENT DEPARTMENT: Austin Energy

FISCAL NOTE:

Funding in the amount of \$16,667 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:

The Financial Services Department issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) 1100 JMF3020 for these goods and services. The solicitation issued on January 30, 2023, and it closed on March 2, 2023. The recommended contractor submitted the only responsive offer. 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](#)

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: Julia Finn, at 512-974-2835 or Julia.Finn@austintexas.gov

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:

June 12, 2023 - To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.

ADDITIONAL BACKUP INFORMATION (RCA BODY)

The contract will provide mobile water demineralizer rentals and water treatment parts for Austin Energy. Demineralizer equipment is used to treat boiler water at power plants during emergency situations, during extreme winter weather events, or when equipment is offline. Power-generating equipment requires specially treated water to prevent degradation of the equipment or mineral buildup in the equipment.

An evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the offers and scored MPW Industrial Services Group Inc as the best to provide these services based on solution, experience, price, local business presence, and service-disabled veteran business enterprise.

Strategic Outcome: Government That Works for All

CITY OF AUSTIN**COUNCIL DATE: 07/20/2023****RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****VENDORS: CLEAResult Consulting, Inc.,****PHILIP ADRIAN WISTNER JR D/B/A DIAMOND HEAD INSPECTION SERVICES, LLC****FRENCH VENTURES, LLC****SUBJECT:**

Authorize negotiation and execution of a multi-term contract to provide residential, multifamily and commercial inspection and energy services with CLEAResult Consulting, Inc., Philip Adrian Wistner Jr D/B/A Diamond Head Inspection Services, LLC and French Ventures, LLC, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,800,000.

MBE/WBE:

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 insufficient subcontracting opportunities, therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.

LEAD DEPARTMENT: Financial Services Department**CLIENT DEPARTMENT:** Austin Energy**FISCAL NOTE:**

Funding in the amount of \$90,000 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:

The Financial Services Department issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) 1100 DCM3007 for these services. The solicitation issued on November 21, 2022, and it closed on December 21, 2022. Of the three offers received, the recommended contractors submitted the best evaluated responsive offer. 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](#)

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: Diana McIntosh, at 512-974-2034 or Diana.McIntosh@austintexas.gov

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:

June 12, 2023 – To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission

ADDITIONAL BACKUP INFORMATION (RCA BODY)

The contractors will perform energy services to homes, multifamily properties, and small to mid-sized commercial buildings with performance problems including inflated energy consumption, inefficient mechanical equipment, poor thermal comfort, and indoor air quality issues. Austin Energy seeks to increase energy and demand savings in existing structures by accelerating the deployment of energy efficient technologies and installations, consisting of field verifications, quality control reviews, comprehensive home energy audits, load calculations (with or without diagnostic testing), and Energy Conservation Audit and Disclosure Ordinance verifications.

An evaluation team with expertise in energy efficiency, engineering and finance evaluated the offers and scored CLEAResult Consulting, Inc., Philip Adrian Wistner Jr D/B/A Diamond Head Inspection Services, LLC, and French Ventures, LLC as the best to provide these services based on project concept and strategy, demonstrated applicable experience and personnel qualifications, project management structure, price, local business presence and small disadvantaged veterans' business enterprise.

Strategic Outcome: Government That Works for All

CITY OF AUSTIN

COUNCIL DATE: 7/20/2023

RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**VENDOR: KBS ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS INC, TECHLINE INC, AND TEXAS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES****SUBJECT:**

Authorize execution of three multi-term contracts to provide design and fabrication of distribution steel poles with KBS Electrical Distributors Inc, Techline Inc, and Texas Electric Cooperatives, for up to five years, for a total amount not to exceed \$15,500,000.

MBE/WBE:

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:** Austin Energy**FISCAL NOTE:**

Funding in the amount of \$775,000 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:

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 1100 MEA1045 for these goods. The solicitation was issued on January 30, 2023, and it closed on March 7, 2023. Of the four offers received, the recommended contractors submitted the lowest responsive offers. 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](#)

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: Maria Andrade, at 512-974-2824 or Maria.Andrade@austintexas.gov

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:

June 12, 2023 - To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission

ADDITIONAL BACKUP INFORMATION (RCA BODY)

These contracts will provide design and fabrication of distribution steel poles on an as-needed basis for Austin Energy. Distribution steel poles are used for new power lines and upgrades to existing infrastructure. The galvanized and self-weathered poles are necessary to support construction and development activities in Austin Energy's service area and maintain the reliability of the electrical system.

Strategic Outcome: Government That Works for All

Posting Language

Authorize execution of a contract for 145kv Metering Current Transformers with KBS Electrical Distributors Inc., for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$750,000.

[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 is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

Purchasing Language:

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitation for Bids IFB 1100 DTB1031REBID for these goods. The solicitation was issued on October 10, 2022, and closed on November 1, 2022. Of the four 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](#).

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 – To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is to provide 145kv metering current transformers for Austin Energy. Metering current transformers are used for the protection from, measurement, and control of electrical currents in high-voltage electrical substations. These transformers are a crucial safety component for protecting Austin Energy personnel and substation equipment. Metering current transformers step down high primary currents to low secondary currents, limiting and minimizing the current for metering which protects against power surges that could result in failures of critical substation equipment.

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing negotiation and execution of an Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the required relocations of Austin Energy electric facilities and adjustments along US 290 and SH 71 under the Oak Hill Parkway Project for a total estimated cost of \$5,527,002.36, plus any cost overruns.

Lead Department

Austin Energy

Fiscal Note

Funding is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

Prior Council Action:**For More Information:**

Lisa Martin, Acting Deputy General Manager & Chief Operating Officer, 512-322-6457; Elaine Veselka, Acting Vice President Electric System Engineering & Technical Services, 512-322-6667; Amy Everhart, Local Government Issues Director, 512-322-6087

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

June 12, 2023- To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.

Additional Backup Information:

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is building an upgraded, state-of-the-art roadway consisting of 2-to-3 non-stop US 290 main lanes for through traffic in each direction, as well as 2-to-3 frontage road lanes in each direction, known as TxDOT's Oak Hill Parkway Project ("Project"). Along SH 71, the flyover ramps will extend past Scenic Brook Drive where the main lanes will transition to a 5-lane (three lanes northbound, two lanes southbound) highway with U-turns for local access. Significant bicycle and pedestrian accommodations will be built along the entire corridor, including 14 miles of shared-use path and 1 1/2 miles of sidewalks. An overpass for the US 290 main lanes over William Cannon Drive will be built, along with new flyovers between US 290 and SH 71. At this location, the US 290 main lanes will be lowered under SH 71 and new landscaping, tree plantings and corridor aesthetics will be part of the construction plan.

These improvements impact Austin Energy (AE) existing pole line and will require relocations of AE electric facilities and adjustments within TxDOT right-of-way (the "Adjustment"). TxDOT and AE have agreed that the Adjustments will be made by TxDOT's contractor as part of the Project. AE will ensure that the Adjustments be completed by an AE-approved qualified electrical contractor.

SUBJECT:

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Grid Solutions (US) LLC to provide substation communication hardware, software maintenance, installation, and training services, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$700,000.

MBE/WBE:

Sole source contracts are exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.

LEAD DEPARTMENT: Financial Services Department

CLIENT DEPARTMENT(S): Austin Energy

FISCAL NOTE:

Funding in the amount of \$140,000 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:

Sole Source

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Inquiries should be directed to Paula Barriffe, at 512-974-2832 or Paula.Barriffe@austintexas.gov

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION:

June 12, 2023 – To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.

ADDITIONAL BACKUP INFORMATION (RCA BODY)

This contract will provide access for necessary hardware and software maintenance and support of Austin Energy's substation communication system, JunglePax, which is used for protecting relaying communications and the System Control and Data Acquisition network. JunglePax is an infrastructure system that facilitates critical communications between substations for the electrical transmission grid and allows 24/7/365 monitoring of the network, alarm recording, circuit configuration, and equipment configuration storage. It serves as a main repository for alarm history and configuration to keep Austin Energy compliant with North American Electric Reliability Corporation Critical Infrastructure Protection standards.

Grid Solutions (US) LLC is the sole provider of JunglePAX hardware, software, and services.

Strategic Outcome: Government That Work for All.