

# City of Austin

# Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2450, Agenda Item #: 20.

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#### Posting Language

Authorize execution of a contract for portable refrigeration units, cases, and maintenance services with Matthew Kinney d/b/a 911 Tactical and Medical Concepts PLLC/911 Tactical Medicine, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$531,505.

[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 and services required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established].

# Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

# Client Department(s)

**Emergency Medical Services.** 

#### Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$8,495 is available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget of Emergency Medical Services. 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) 9300 MZJ1012REBID for these goods. The solicitation was issued on April 24, 2023, and closed on May 23, 2023. Of the two 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

<a href="https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account\_services/solicitation/solicitation\_details.cfm?sid=138961">services/solicitation/solicitation\_details.cfm?sid=138961</a>.

## For More Information:

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

## Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide Emergency Medical Services (EMS) with portable refrigeration units that will allow EMS personnel to carry and provide blood into a wide variety of emergency situations such as festivals, mass gatherings, and other special events. Each unit has a five-year service life; the contract will allow EMS to purchase new units to replace older units at a steady rate over the term of the contract. These units will be installed in EMS vehicles and boats and enhance the community's access to blood products.

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This is a new contract. This contract is with EMS, but units will be shared with Austin-Travis County EMS as part of the EMS Blood Program.

If a contract is not secured, EMS will have limited access to an immediate source of blood when operating in the field. Without these units, the ability of EMS to provide injured individuals with blood diminishes, along with their ability to save lives.