



# City of Austin

## Recommendation for Action

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**File #:** 24-4070, **Agenda Item #:** 9.

3/7/2024

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract for mobile geospatial information system software licensing, support, upgrades, and professional services with SSP Innovations, LLC, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$575,000.

[Note: Sole source contracts are exempt from City Code Chapter 2-9B (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 \$350,000 is available in the Capital Budget of Austin Energy.

Funding in the amount of \$45,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

### **Purchasing Language:**

Austin Energy is designating this purchase as a Critical Business Need in accordance with Senate Bill 7, as adopted by the City as Resolution No. 040610-02.

### **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.

### **Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

February 12, 2024 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote and three vacancies.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

This contract will provide Austin Energy crews with the mobile geospatial information system (GIS) software, GoSync. This software will provide field crews with mobile real-time access to GIS data helping them troubleshoot issues while in the field allowing them to manage and restore Austin Energy's power distribution system. The software application also delivers off-line access to GIS tools when cellular connectivity is unavailable.

The contract was designated as a Critical Business Need as the GoSync product is end-of-life but needs to

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remain in place until a replacement mobility solution is identified and ready for production use. The contract will continue maintenance and licensing for the GoSync product. The contract also includes implementation of the MIMS software product, the successor to GoSync, if Austin Energy determines that an upgrade, rather than transitioning to a different solution, would best meet business needs.