

Posting Language

Authorize a contract for electric system design software for Austin Energy with Spatial Business Systems, LLC., for an initial term of one year with up to four one-year extension options for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,500,000. Funding: \$253,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$253,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

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Purchasing Language:

Sole Source.

MBE/WBE:

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

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.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

January 13, 2025 - To be reviewed by the Electric Utility Commission.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for maintenance and support of Automated Utility Design and Utility Data Hub software applications, which are the primary design tools used by Austin Energy’s electric system distribution design teams. These applications apply Austin Energy’s design standards to drawings, cost estimates, pre-construction prints, and creating material lists for designing residential and commercial electric systems. They are capable of responding to changes in safety standards while preserving historic details for reference, important design capabilities for supporting the City’s growth.

Spatial Business Systems LLC is the sole source provider of Automated Utility Design and Utility Data Hub licenses and services. The contractor does not authorize third parties to provide technical services for these solutions due to their complexity and proprietary nature, and the contractor is the sole provider of code support for integration between Automated Utility Design and Austin Energy’s Geographic Information System and Work Management System applications.

Without this contract, Austin Energy would be unable to meet design goals related to project and site energization.