

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-1524, Agenda Item #: 39.

8/28/2025

Posting Language

Authorize a contract for evaluation and reporting of energy efficiency programs for Austin Energy with LMPWorks dba Brightline Group for an initial term of two years with up to three 1-year extension options in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000. Funding: \$250,000 is available in the 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 \$250,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Operating Budget of Austin Energy.

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Purchasing Language:

The Financial Services Department issued a Request for Proposals solicitation RFP 1100 DCM3035 for these services. The solicitation was issued on February 24, 2025, and closed on March 27, 2025. Of the six offers received, the recommended contractor submitted the best evaluated responsive offer. A complete solicitation package, including a log of offers received, is available for viewing on the City's website. This information can currently be found at

https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=141573.

MBE/WBE:

This contract will be awarded in accordance with the City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). For the services required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established. However, the recommended contractor identified subcontracting opportunities.

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:

August 11, 2025 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on a 10-0 vote with Chair Tuttle absent.

Additional Backup Information:

This contract will provide evaluation, measurement, verification, and reporting services for Austin Energy's energy efficiency, demand response, green building, and renewable energy programs. The contractor will track energy savings, cost savings, reduced emissions as well as other benefits resulting from Austin Energy's energy efficiency policies and initiatives. The contractor will also monitor progress towards goals established in the Austin Energy Resource, Generation, and Climate Protection Plan to 2035 adopted by Council in December 2024.

The recommended contractor has experience in energy efficiency solutions, utility operations, data analysis, policy compliance, evaluation measurement, and verification and reporting services. Services include utilizing existing aggregated or anonymized data sources to analyze, provide reporting, and recommending programs based on industry best-practices as well as verifying Austin Energy Customer Energy Solutions programs and policies are achieving projected levels of energy and demand savings and avoided greenhouse gas emissions. Additionally, these services will support Austin Energy in development of new strategies, tools, and programs to meet evolving policy requirements and needs related to energy efficiency and demand response.

This is a new contract. An evaluation team with expertise in this area evaluated the offers and scored LMPWorks dba Brightline Group as the best to provide these services based on project concept and strategy, experience, price, local preference, and small business preference.

Contract Details:

Contract Term	Length of Term	Contract Authorization
Initial Term	2 years	\$1,000,000
Optional Extension 1	1 year	\$500,000
Optional Extension 2	1 year	\$500,000
Optional Extension 3	1 year	\$500,000
Total	5 years	\$2,500,000

Note: Contract Authorization amounts are based on the City's estimated annual usage.