

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-1042, Agenda Item #: 54.

6/5/2025

Posting Language

Authorize a contract for centrifuge service and maintenance for Austin Water with Andritz Separation Inc, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$1,112,440. Funding: \$185,695 is available in the Operating Budget of Austin Water.

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s)

Austin Water.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$185,695 is Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Operating Budget of Austin Water.

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

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:

May 21, 2025 - To be reviewed by the Austin Water and Wastewater Commission.

Additional Backup Information:

This contract will provide the City with replacement parts, scheduled maintenance services, support, training, and extended warranties from the original equipment manufacturer on Hornsby Bend centrifuges. The centrifuges are essential to the Hornsby Bend biosolids treatment process. This contract will streamline securing technicians and parts, minimizing downtime. The contractor's training will equip the plant staff with the necessary skills and knowledge to take over most maintenance and scheduled services by the end of the contract.

Andritz Separation, Inc holds the sole rights and ownership to Andritz-Ruthner and all replacement parts. This is a new contract. Requested authorization is based on historical spending and departmental estimates of future needs.

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If a contract is not secured, Hornsby Bend may not have adequate replacement parts and trained staff to maintain and operate the centrifuge equipment. This may significantly impede the City's biosolids treatment process, interrupting regional wastewater processing, and likely violate the terms of the facility's Texas Commission on Environmental Quality permit requirements.