



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 26-2191, **Agenda Item #:** 34.

8/27/2026

Posting Language

Authorize two contracts for police bicycles and accessories for Austin Police with V-Cycle Global LLC d/b/a Mod Bikes and Volcanic Partners, LLC d/b/a Volcanic Bikes, for an initial term of one year with up to four one-year extension options in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 divided among the contracts. Funding: \$25,000 is available in the Operating Budget of Austin Police. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Lead Department

Austin Financial Services.

Client Department(s)

Austin Police.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$25,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Operating Budget of Austin Police.

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Procurement Language:

Austin Financial Services issued an Invitation for Bids solicitation IFB 8700 TJP1028 for these goods. The solicitation was published on March 2, 2026, and closed on March 31, 2026. The recommended contractors submitted the only responsive offers. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids 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=143802.

MBE/WBE:

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

For More Information:

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to Austin Financial Services - 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.

Additional Backup Information:

These contracts will provide standard and electric bikes, along with accessories, for Austin Police personnel who use bicycles to manage crowds and patrol trails, neighborhoods, and business districts. Bike patrols offer a safe, cost-effective way to improve mobility, increase visibility, and access areas inaccessible by patrol cars, while also supporting Austin Police's community policing goals by making officers more approachable.

Downtown Area Command (DTAC) officers make up a significant portion of the Austin Police Department's Bicycle Public Order Team. Special events and public safety operations rely on the DTAC for crowd management, rapid repositioning, maintaining separation between groups, providing emergency access routes, and responding to evolving public safety situations. DTAC emergency response capability is reduced when bicycles become unreliable due to equipment failures.

These contracts will replace a contract that was terminated in July 2024 upon the contractor's discontinuation of business. The requested authorization amount for this contract was determined using departmental estimates based on historical spend and future operational needs.

A delay in contract approval could impact the City's ability to ensure patrol effectiveness and safety as well as deploy teams for special events.

Contract Details:		
Contract Term	Length of Term	Contract Authorization
Initial Term	1 year	\$100,000
Optional Extension 1	1 year	\$100,000
Optional Extension 2	1 year	\$100,000
Optional Extension 3	1 year	\$100,000
Optional Extension 4	1 year	\$100,000
Total	5 years	\$500,000

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