



## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 23-3116, **Agenda Item #:** 14.

11/2/2023

### **Posting Language**

Authorize execution of four contracts for polyvinyl chloride conduit and accessories with Texas Electric Cooperatives, Forwawteh I Kalloh d/b/a Greenville Enterprises LLC, Graybar Electric Company, Inc. d/b/a Graybar, and Turtle & Hughes, Inc. d/b/a Turtle & Hughes, each for up to five years for total contract amounts not to exceed \$3,400,000, divided among the contractors.

[Note: This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9D (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].

### **Lead Department**

Financial Services Department.

### **Client Department(s)**

Austin Energy.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$623,333 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:**

The Financial Services Department issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 1100 MEA1048 for these goods. The solicitation was issued on May 29, 2023, and closed on June 20, 2023. Of the four offers received, the recommended contractors submitted the lowest responsive offers. A complete solicitation package, including a tabulation of the bids received, is available for viewing on the City's Financial Services website, Austin Finance Online. Link: [Solicitation Documents](https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=138747)

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### **For More Information:**

Direct Inquiries regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to the Financial Services Department - Central Procurement at: [FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov](mailto:FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov) [<mailto:FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov>](mailto: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:**

October 16, 2023 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Bowen and Chapman absent and one vacancy.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

These contracts will provide polyvinyl chloride conduit (PVC) and accessories for Austin Energy. PVC is used by Austin Energy to run cable to underground electrical vaults and duct banks. These contracts will also

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replenish warehouse stock for immediate issue to crews on an as-needed basis.

This recommendation is in accordance with Local Government Code 271.905 and Resolution number 20140807-113 to invoke local preference. The local bidder, Texas Electric Cooperatives, is offering the best combination of contract price and additional economic development opportunities for the City created by the contract award, including the employment of residents and increased tax revenues.

**Contract Detail:**

<b><u>Contract Term</u></b>	<b><u>Length of Term</u></b>	<b><u>Contract Authorization</u></b>
Initial Term	2 yrs.	\$1,360,000
Optional Extension 1	1 yr.	\$ 680,000
Optional Extension 2	1 yr.	\$ 680,000
Optional Extension 3	1 yr.	\$ 680,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5 yrs.</b>	<b>\$3,400,000</b>

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