



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

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Item Creation Date:

DR4534 - Multi-Vendors EPO Awards Related to the Winter Storm Uri (Group One)- MOTION

Agenda Item#:

Background:

DR4534 - APPROVE spending authority for Emergency Purchase of Various Goods and Services related to the City's response to the Winter Storm Uri.

Specific Explanation:

The Chief Procurement Officer recommends that City Council approve spending authority in an amount not to exceed **\$9,920,000.00** for the emergency purchase of various goods and services related to the City's response to the Winter Storm Uri. Additionally, it is also requested that authorization be given to issue purchase orders to the vendors listed on the attached spreadsheet for the provision of such goods and services.

In response to the Mayor's initial proclamation issued on February 14, 2021 declaring a local state of disaster for the City of Houston due to severe damage, destruction, injury, and/or loss of life or property (or the continuing imminent threat of the same) resulting from the severe Winter Storm Uri due to prolonged freezing temperatures, snow, and freezing rain. The City has engaged numerous vendors to assist with responding to the public health emergency resulting from the Winter Storm Uri. The goods and services provided by these various vendors include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Waterline rehabilitation inspection services at multiple locations
- Assessment and repair work throughout the drinking water system
- Repair of 48" major process line at Northeast Water Purification Plant
- For emergency delivery of chlorine for water treatment
- To mobilize, transport and install transformers and generators to 15 sites
- To provide labor, material and supervision necessary to complete repairs and restorations for drinking water infrastructure

The attached spreadsheet represents emergency purchase orders that have been approved to-date by the Chief Procurement Officer in response to the Winter Storm Uri, and have not yet come before City Council for approval. This consolidated request for City Council approval is hereby made in an effort to streamline the procurement process and allow the City to be agile and timely in responding to the ever-changing needs of the City's residents.

This recommendation is made pursuant to section 252.022(a)(2) of the Texas Local Government Code, which provides that "a procurement necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the municipality's residents" is exempt from the competitive bidding process.

M/WBE Participation:

These Emergency Purchase Orders have been reviewed for possible MWBE participation. In cases where participation is possible, appropriate OBO documentation will be provided.

Hire Houston First:

The proposed procurements are exempt from the City's Hire Houston First ordinance. Bids/ proposals were not solicited because the departments are utilizing emergency purchase orders for these procurements.

Disaster Note:

This item is related to the impact of Winter Storm Uri and it is the City's intent to use other federal funding sources for eligible expenditures.

Fiscal Note:

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

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Estimated Spending authority			
Department	FY2021	Out Years	Total
Finance	\$9,920,000.00	\$0.00	\$9,920,000.00

Amount of Funding:

\$9,920,000.00
Disaster Recovery Fund-CUS
Fund No.: 8386

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
LGL_Extending_Disaster_Valentines_Storm_Exp_Date_v2.docx_ORDINANCE	Backup Material
EPO LOG for Winter Storm URI (Group ONE)	Backup Material
Justification Forms for Winter Storm URI (Group ONE)	Backup Material