



**CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL**

Meeting Date: 10/19/2022

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Item Creation Date: 9/19/2022

S32341 - Horse Dry Animal Feed (Gary Fritz) - MOTION

Agenda Item#: 8.

**Background:**

**Formal Bids Received July 8, 2022 for S64-S32341 – Approve an award to Gary Fritz in the amount not to exceed \$1,012,500.00 for the purchase of horse dry animal feed (hay) for the Houston Police Department.**

**Specific Explanation:**

The Chief of the Houston Police Department and the Interim Chief Procurement Officer recommend that City Council approve an award to **Gary Fritz** on its low bid in the amount not to exceed **\$1,012,500.00** for the purchase of horse dry animal feed (hay) for the Houston Police Department. It is further requested that authorization be given to make purchases, as needed, for a **36-month period with two one-year options**. This award will be used by the Houston Police Department’s Special Operation Mounted Patrol Division to feed, nourish, and maintain horses.

This project was advertised in accordance with the requirements of the State of Texas bid laws. Twelve (12) prospective bidders downloaded the solicitation document from SPD’s e-bidding website, and two (2) bids were received.

<u>Company</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
1. <b>Gary Fritz</b>	<b>\$1,012,500.00</b>
2. Hieden Feed and Supply	\$3,075,000.00

- Due to the disparity between the bids, the Strategic Procurement Division (SPD) buyer contacted the potential supplier to discuss the scope of work for this procurement. During the discussion, Gary Fritz’s representative stated that its bid includes all costs associated with supplying the item requested in the bid specifications. Based on the aforementioned, the Strategic Procurement Division and the department are confident that the recommended company can provide the specified item for the price bid.

**MWBE Subcontractor:**

This bid was issued with a 2% goal for MWBE participation. **Gary Fritz** has designated the below-name company as its certified MWBE subcontractor.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type of Works</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
Flex Trucking Co., LLC	Delivery of Hay	\$20,250.00

**Hire Houston First:**

The proposed award requires compliance with the City’s ‘Hire Houston First’ (HHF) ordinance that promotes economic opportunity for Houston businesses and supports job creation. In this case, **Gary Fritz** does not meet the requirements for HHF Designation, no HHF firms were within three percent.

**Fiscal Note:**

Funding for this item is included in the FY2023 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in the Financial Policies.

10/7/2022

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**Jedediah Greenfield**  
Interim Chief Procurement Officer

**Department Approval**

**Estimated Spending Authority**

<u>Department</u>	<u>FY2023</u>	<u>Out Years</u>	<u>Total</u>
Houston Police	\$145,467.50	\$867,032.50	\$1,012,500.00

**Amount and Source of Funding:**

**\$1,012,500.00**  
General Fund  
Fund No.: 1000

