



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 12/17/2024

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Doc1171563273 - Radio Isotope Identification Detectors (RIID) Symetrica, Inc.) -
ORDINANCE.

Agenda Item#: 32.

Summary:

NOT A REAL CAPTION

ORDINANCE awarding to **SYMETRICA, INC.** for radio isotope identification detectors (RIID) for the Mayor’s Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security; establishing a maximum contract amount - three-year (3) contract with two (2), one-year options - \$1,620,000.00 - Grant Fund

Background:

Formal bids received August 15, 2024, for DOC1171563273-P38 – Approve an ordinance awarding a contract to Symetrica, Inc. for a maximum contract amount of \$1,620,000.00 for radio isotope identification detectors for a three-year (3) contract with two (2), one-year options for the Mayor’s Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security.

Specific Explanation:

The Director of the Mayor’s Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security and the Chief Procurement Officer recommend that City Council approve an ordinance awarding a **three-year (3) contract with two (2), one-year options to Symetrica, Inc.** for radio isotope identification detectors (RIID) for a maximum contract amount of **\$1,620,000.00** for the Mayor’s Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security. The funding for this contract covers the initial three (3) year term. The Mayor’s Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security will return to Council to increase the maximum contract amount should additional funding become available for the (2) option years.

This Invitation to Bid (ITB) was advertised in accordance with the requirements of the State of Texas bid laws. Eight (8) respondents downloaded the solicitation from SPD’s Ariba Discovery Website.

The following five (5) bids were received as outlined below.

Company	Total Amount
1. Symetrica, Inc.	\$1,620,000.00
2. Rapiscan Systems, Inc.	\$1,833,120.00
3. Berkeley Nucleonics Corporation	\$2,430,000.00
4. Farwest Environmental Supply, Inc.	\$2,732,320.00
5. Ludlum Measurements, Inc.	\$3,872,400.00

The scope of work requires the vendor to provide forty (40) RIIDs per year, which are handheld devices that can identify radioactive materials by measuring the energy of gamma rays emitted from a source. These devices will be used by public safety bomb technicians and hazardous materials technicians at police and fire agencies who are part of the Houston Securing the Cities initiative to provide secondary screening services in preventative radiological/nuclear detection operations. In addition, the scope of work includes training,

as-requested scheduled calibration, repairs, and maintenance services. Each RIID shall be supplied with associated carrying cases/pouches and port/cable connections. Each unit will also come with a five (5) year warranty.

M/WBE Participation:

Zero-Percentage Goal document approved by the Office of Business Opportunity.

Hire Houston First:

Hire Houston First does not apply to this expenditure because it involves the use of federal funds and is subject to specific procurement rules of the federal government.

Fiscal Note:

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

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Jedediah Greenfield, Chief Procurement Officer
Finance/Strategic Procurement Division

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Department Approval Authority

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ESTIMATED SPENDING AUTHORITY

Department	FY2025	Out-Years	Amount
MYR	\$540,000.00	\$1,080,000.00	\$1,620,000.00

Amount and Source of Funding:

\$1,620,000.00
 Federal Government Grant Fund
 Fund No.: 5000

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Certification of Funds	Financial Information
Clear Tax Report	Backup Material
Approved OBO Document	Backup Material
Ownership Form	Backup Material
Insurance with endorsements	Backup Material
Bid Tab	Backup Material
Conflict of Interest	Backup Material
Partially Executed Contract	Contract/Exhibit
Fund verification	Signed Cover sheet