



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

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Item Creation Date: 10/16/2017

N26352- Determine HIV Combo Test Kits

Agenda Item#:

Background:

Formal Bids Received for S21-N26352 - Approve an award to Alere North America, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for Determine HIV combo test kits for the Houston Health Department.

Specific Explanation:

The Director of the Houston Health Department and the Chief Procurement Officer recommend that City Council approve an award to Alere North America, LLC on its low bid in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for Determine HIV combo test kits for the Houston Health Department and that authorization be given to issue a purchase order. This purchase consists of 125 HIV-1/2 Ag/Ab test kits (100 tests per kit) to be used in the clinics and at public awareness events citywide.

This project was advertised in accordance with the requirements of the State of Texas bid laws. Four prospective bidders downloaded the solicitation document from SPD's e-bidding website and two bids were received as outlined below.

Alere North America, LLC: Award on its low bid for Line Item No. 1 (HIV combo test kits) in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.

Company**Total Amount**

1. Alere North America, LLC
2. Nao Global Health, LLC

\$100,000.00
\$210,511.25

- 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 Alere North America, LLC's representative stated that its bid includes all cost 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 Participation:

Zero-percent goal document approved by the Office of Business Opportunity.

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, Alere North America, LLC 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 FY18 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in the Financial Policy Ord. 2014-1078.


 Jerry Adams, Chief Procurement Officer
 Finance/Strategic Procurement Division

 Department Approval Authority

Amount of Funding:**\$100,000.00** - Federal Government Fund (5000) - FY18**Contact Information:**

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ATTACHMENTS:**Description**

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N26352 CLEARED TAX REPORT
N26352 BID TAB
N26352 FORM B
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