



## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 23-1499, **Agenda Item #:** 12.

4/13/2023

### Posting Language

Authorize execution of three contracts for veterinary pharmaceuticals, supplies, equipment, and animal care products with Midwest Veterinary Supply, Inc., WA Butler Company d/b/a Covetrus North America, LLC, and Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health USA, Inc., each for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$3,300,000, 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)

Animal Services Office.

### Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$275,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget of the Animal Services Office. 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) 9200 JRH1052REBID for these goods. The solicitation was issued on November 14, 2022, and closed on December 20, 2022. 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=138097)  
<[https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account\\_services/solicitation/solicitation\\_details.cfm?sid=138097](https://financeonline.austintexas.gov/afo/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=138097)>.

### For More Information:

Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquiries to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: John Hilbun, at 512-974-1054 or [john.hilbun@austintexas.gov](mailto:john.hilbun@austintexas.gov)  
<<mailto:john.hilbun@austintexas.gov>>.

### Additional Backup Information:

These contracts will provide veterinary pharmaceuticals, supplies, equipment, and animal care products for animals housed at the Austin Animal Center (AAC). The AAC receives approximately 18,000 animals per year and functions as the largest No Kill municipal animal shelter in the United States. Treatment of animals with acute and chronic medical conditions requires a year-round full service veterinary clinic as veterinary care can range from days to over a year. Medical evaluations and treatments begin immediately upon animal intake to the shelter and continue until the animal is placed with an owner.

These veterinary supplies ensure that AAC animals receive an appropriate level of veterinary care and that AAC veterinarians and animal health technicians have the proper supplies and equipment to work with and care for these animals. Pharmaceuticals such as vaccines aid in the prevention of disease caused by canine distemper virus. These supplies are critical care products for use in veterinary surgical procedures and the equipment is critical for the safety of both AAC personnel and animals.

These contracts replace an existing contract that expires on May 6, 2023. One of the recommended contractors is a current provider for these goods.

If a contract is not secured, the City will not have the required pharmaceuticals, supplies, and equipment to treat the animals taken in by the AAC, therefore animal health will be compromised.

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

Health and Environment.



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023**

**The following represents the actions taken by the Austin City Council in the order they occurred during the meeting. While the minutes are not in sequential order, all agenda items were discussed. The City Council of Austin, Texas, convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, April 13, 2023, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, TX.**

**PROCLAMATIONS**

Proclamation – Lewis Conway, Jr. Day – To be presented by Council Member Harper-Madison and to be accepted by the family of Lewis Conway, Jr., Austin pastor and activist

Proclamation – Donate Life Month – To be presented by Council Member Ryan Alter and to be accepted by Lemuel Bradshaw of United Tissue Resources

Proclamation – National Public Health Week – To be presented by Council Member Vanessa Fuentes and to be accepted by Austin Public Health staff

Proclamation – National Wildlife Week – To be presented by Council Member Mackenzie Kelly and to be accepted by Austin Zoo staff

Certificates of Recognition – UT Austin’s Healthy Student Organizations – To be presented by Council Member Qadri and to be accepted by various members of the UT Austin Healthy Student Organization programs

**Mayor Watson called the Council Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve the minutes of the Austin City Council work session of March 21, 2023, and regular meeting of March 23, 2023.

**The motion to approve the minutes of the Austin City Council work session of March 21, 2023, and regular meeting of March 23, 2023, was approved on consent on Council Member Velásquez’s motion, Council Member Alison Alter’s second without objection.**

12. Authorize execution of three contracts for veterinary pharmaceuticals, supplies, equipment, and animal care products with Midwest Veterinary Supply, Inc., WA Butler Company d/b/a Covetrus North America, LLC, and Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health USA, Inc., each for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$3,300,000, 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]. Strategic Outcome(s): Health and Environment.  
**The motion authorizing the execution of three contracts with Midwest Veterinary Supply, Inc., WA Butler Company doing business as Covetrus North America, LLC, and Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health USA, Inc. was approved on consent on Council Member Velásquez's motion, Council Member Alison Alter's second without objection.**
13. Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract for teleconferencing management services for City Council meetings with Mercury Intermediate Holdings, LLC d/b/a Mercury Acquisition 2021, LLC, or Tele-Town Hall, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$600,000. [Note: Sole source contracts are exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program); therefore, no subcontracting goals were established]. Strategic Outcome(s): Government that Works for All.  
**The motion authorizing the negotiation and execution of a contract with Mercury Intermediate Holdings, LLC doing business as Mercury Acquisition 2021, LLC, or Tele-Town Hall was approved on consent on Council Member Velásquez's motion, Council Member Alison Alter's second without objection.**
14. Authorize execution of a contract for original equipment manufacturer parts and repair services for City-owned Kawasaki, Can-Am, and Polaris vehicles with Woods Fun Center, LLC d/b/a BMW Motorcycles of Austin or Ridenow Austin, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$430,500. [Note: This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). For the goods and services required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established]. Strategic Outcome(s): Mobility.  
**The motion authorizing the execution of a contract with Woods Fun Center, LLC doing business as BMW Motorcycles of Austin or Ridenow Austin was approved on consent on Council Member Velásquez's motion, Council Member Alison Alter's second without objection.**
15. Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract for a scenario-based simulator with VirTra, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$160,215. [Note: This procurement 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