



City Council Report

Date: March 15, 2021
To: City Council
Through: Michael Kennington, Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer
From: Edward Quedens, Business Services Director
Matt Bauer, Procurement Administrator
Subject: One-Year Renewal to the Term Contract for Refrigerated Liquid Carbon Dioxide for the Water Resources Department **(Citywide)**

Recommendation

Council is requested to approve the contract renewal as recommended.

The Water Resources Department and Purchasing recommend authorizing the renewal using the City of Tempe cooperative contract with Linde (formerly Praxair, Inc.) at \$100,000, based on estimated usage.

Background / Discussion

This contract provides refrigerated liquid carbon dioxide which is required for the treatment process at Signal Butte Water Treatment Plant.

The City of Tempe competitively solicited and awarded the contract for the purchase of this commodity. The cooperative contract contains cooperative language allowing its use by other government agencies and meets the City's procurement requirements.

City of Mesa has been satisfied with the vendor performance and product. The City will most likely see higher costs should a solicitation be re-issued as the current rates are more than three years old. This contract continues to be advantageous to the City and it is in the City's best interest to approve the use of the contract.

Praxair, Inc. changed its name to Linde on September 16, 2020.

This is the last year of City of Tempe's term contract. City of Mesa anticipates joining the City of Tempe in an upfront cooperative solicitation next year. Tempe's annual usage is higher than Mesa and should allow the City to obtain lower more competitive pricing.

Purchase Information

Action: Renewal (2nd of 2 possible)
Procurement Type: Cooperative Contract Use
Contract Number: 2019170
Contracting Agency/Contract Number: City of Tempe/WUD16-106-01
Original Council Award Date: 5/20/2019

Initial Contract Term: One year

Possible Renewals: None.

Funding Source: Water Resources Department operating budget (Water Operations and Maintenance)