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**CITY OF COLUMBUS - BID WAIVER INFORMATION FORM  
TO ACCOMPANY LEGISLATION WHICH WAIVES ANY PROVISIONS OF  
COLUMBUS CITY CODES CHAPTER 329  
(PLEASE LIMIT YOUR RESPONSE TO THIS SHEET)**

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1. In accordance with section 329.27 of the Columbus City Code, City Council may determine that the City's best interest is served by waiving the City Code Formal Bid procedures for the following reason(s): (Note that these reasons are all based on time. Currently, formal bid average completion time is 160 calendar days.)

- An unanticipated breakdown created an unplanned, emergency need.
- The item to be purchased is of a perishable nature, the price or availability will perish before the formal bid process can be completed.
- Need to extend an existing contract for one year or more where no provision for extension was included in the original bid/contract.
- Need to increase a contract for additional supplies/services, although the original contract obligations have been fulfilled.
- A new law or regulation requires immediate compliance; there is insufficient time to accomplish formal competitive bidding and satisfy the needs in order to comply.
- Other: There is not enough time to obtain formally advertised, competitive sealed bids to satisfy the needs because: the need exists to begin implementation of the Neighborly software in a timely manner in order to improve the current application process and address urgent housing needs.

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2. Informal bid procedure used:  Yes  No Explain:

Benevate, Inc is the producer and sole source vendor of Neighborly Software's Housing, Economic and Community Development hosted software. Benevate further certifies that no other hosted software is available for purchase that can address all of the City of Columbus – Department of Development – Housing Division's needs in one solution. Therefore Department of Development is requesting the waiver of the provisions of Columbus City Code Chapter 329.

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3. Informal bids received and prices for each:

N/A

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4. If lowest bid was not accepted, Explain:

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