

**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)

1. Reasons for waiving City Code bid procedure:

- emergency breakdown causing unplanned need
- item to be purchased is of a perishable nature
- need to extend an existing contract
- there is not enough time to obtain formal bids to satisfy need
- non-price error on either the bidder's or the City's part in the bid proposal
- a new law or regulation requires immediate compliance
- other Need specific product and service.

2. Detailed explanation of reason (must be completed by division):

This project was not bid out as it was manifestly impractical to bid, as is the second contract.

It was manifestly impractical to bid for the professional services related to legal advice and development of a proactive plan to address per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) for the following reasons:

1. Erica Spitzig, Partner at Taft Stettinius & Hollister, LLP, is a legal expert on per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and their relation to water. She speaks at national water conferences on legal considerations of the forthcoming federal regulations of PFAS.
2. Attorney Spitzig has a unique legal practice in that she represents municipal water utilities and other entities in regard to compliance and liabilities arising from PFAS in the environment.
3. Attorney Spitzig was previously Deputy General Counsel for the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA).

3. Informal procedure used:

- telephone quotations
- written quotations
- negotiations

4. Informal bids received and prices for each:

N/A

5. If lowest bid was not accepted, explain criteria for award:

N/A

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