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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: EcoMap Technologies is one of only a very limited number (two) of vendors nation wide with custom subscription services that meets or exceeds the needs of our small business ecosystem as detailed under the Columbus Small Business Agenda - the strategic document and strategy for inclusive small business growth and development. EcoMap Technologies provides small business resource identification, curation, aggregation, and navigation services at a significantly reduce cost with more features than all potential competitors surveyed.

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2. Informal bid procedure used:  Yes  No Explain:

Informal information was gathered from SourceLink, the most relevant competitor to EcoMap. SourceLink price to build was in excess of that of EcoMap with fewer features and requires more City of Columbus staff and personnel to implement.

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3. Informal bids received and prices for each:

EcoMap - \$70K for the "Platform Buildout" with an annual subscription fee of \$12,500 for a total contract cost for Year 1 of \$82,500

SourceLink - "Platform Buildout" \$105K

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4. If lowest bid was not accepted, Explain:

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Ordinance No.:

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Approved By: Authorized Approval on Corresponding Legislative File

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