
**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. 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 requested instrumentation was specifically identified in the DNA grant proposal which was awarded by NIJ for the express purposes of purchasing this exact make/model. This grant has been approved and set up as G331906. (Previously approved grant award documentation attached). Additionally, before the grant application was submitted, an internal laboratory study was conducted to determine the performance of comparable DNA extraction instruments. We compared three comparable instruments and the Maxwell 48s consistently produced higher DNA quantification values than the other two instruments. So not only would we be increasing our capacity (which is why we were awarded the grant), but we would also be enhancing the quality of our DNA profiles.

2. Informal bid procedure used: Yes No Explain:

A quote was obtained directly from the manufacturer for the items listed in the grant award.

3. Informal bids received and prices for each:

A quote was obtained directly from the manufacturer for the items listed in the grant award.

4. If lowest bid was not accepted, Explain:

Ordinance No.:

Approved By: Authorized Approval on Corresponding Legislative File

