
**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: This equipment has proprietary and protected processes not available on other brine making equipment. As existing equipment at other sites reaches end of life, it is in the department's best interest to replace it with the same equipment being installed at the new sites. This is important due to parts availability, software compatibility, servicing, and driver training. Due to space limitations, it is not economical to stock parts for multiple manufacturers, and the majority of the parts are not interchangeable. Having parts on hand for rapid repair of equipment during snow events is a necessity. The ability to manage software and service through one service contract is more cost effective and efficient, and this streamlines our operations as well. Driver and operator training is also a reason for maintaining one type of equipment. Drivers may be using equipment at several different sites during snow events. The equipment needs to have uniform function and programming to avoid confusion and misuse of equipment.

2. Informal bid procedure used: Yes No Explain:

N/A

3. Informal bids received and prices for each:

N/A

4. If lowest bid was not accepted, Explain:

N/A

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