
**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 Fifth Third Processing Solutions contract with the City expired on February 28, 2006 and the Treasurer's Office contract with Huntington Merchant Services LLC was scheduled to take effect on March 1, 2006. Contract negotiations with processing agent Paypal, Inc. have delayed the implementation of the contract for the foreseeable future. Until this negotiation process is complete the Division of Power and Water will be unable to provide its customers the option of paying their water bill by credit card through the World Wide Web. The Division of Power and Water would like to enter into a purchase order with Fifth Third Processing Solutions, for credit card processing services rendered, in the amount of \$40,000, or as much thereof as may be needed, and to waive the provisions of competitive bidding.

2. Informal bid procedure used: Yes No Explain:

See explanation above.

3. Informal bids received and prices for each:

N/A

4. If lowest bid was not accepted, Explain:

N/A

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