

**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 and 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

B2GNow software subscription, provisioning, and hosting of the citywide supplier diversity management system are provided by B2GNow/Ask Reply, Inc., which has served as the City's supplier for these systems since 2021. As the system is already established with B2GNow/Ask Reply, Inc., a waiver of the competitive bidding requirements outlined in Columbus City Code Section 329 is requested to allow the City to enter into a contract with B2GNow/Ask Reply, Inc.

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

B2GNow software subscription, provisioning, and hosting of the citywide supplier diversity management system can be provided by other vendors, however due to already established systems in place by B2GNow/Ask Reply, Inc, a waiver of the bidding requirements of Columbus City Code Section 329 is requested to enter into contract with B2GNow/Ask Reply, Inc to receive continued service.

3. Informal procedure used:

- telephone quotations
- written quotations
- negotiations

4. Informal bids received and prices for each:

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

ORDINANCE #: **3049-2025**

APPROVED BY: Authorized Approval on Corresponding Legislative File

DATE:
