
**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 Columbus Police Impound Lot, situated at 2700 Impound Lot Road, Columbus, OH 43207, has experienced an increase in both vehicle and customer traffic since its establishment. While the facility offers essential services, it currently faces challenges such as limited security measures, inadequate lighting, blind spots in the yard, the need for consistent lawn care maintenance, and understaffing, all of which create vulnerabilities for potential criminal activities.

Instances of unauthorized access to the secured property persist, posing a security threat. The existing camera system, provided and maintained by vendor K.N.S. Services, Inc. at 8450 Rausch Drive, Plain City, OH 43064, comprises of twelve outdoor cameras to surveil approximately 54.187 acres of land around the facility. Furthermore, ten of these cameras are analog 704x480, providing low-quality video output.

The ongoing construction at the Impound Lot, aimed at enhancing storm sewer and storm water pollution processes, has inadvertently exposed the lot to additional unauthorized access.

To address these security challenges and effectively monitor vehicular and pedestrian traffic, it is imperative for the Impound Lot to immediately procure additional digital cameras. The project request entails an increase in the number of cameras to approximately forty-six. The selected vendor, K.N.S., is well-versed in the City of Columbus' existing camera equipment and utilizes equipment that is akin to the Neighborhood Safety Cameras, compatible with the Genetec software for video monitoring.

In light of the aforementioned factors, I urge the waiver of competitive bidding and the consideration of the identified vendor to supply additional camera equipment and installation services. K.N.S. has a proven track record of successful collaboration with the City of Columbus, demonstrating unparalleled expertise in delivering innovative security solutions.

2. Informal bid procedure used: Yes No Explain:

3. Informal bids received and prices for each:

4. If lowest bid was not accepted, Explain:

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