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 City of Columbus, Division of Fire has very detailed specifcations that must be met on all of our apparatus. Atlantic Emergency Solutions was the lowest quote from the three we received that met our specifications. The quotes from the other two vendors were not responsive.

2. Informal bid procedure used: ☒**Yes** ☐**No** **Explain:**

Quotes were requested from 3 vendors: Sutphen Corporation, Atlantic Emergency Solutions, and Rosenbauer. Only the quote from Atlantic Emergency Solutions was deemed responsive because the other two vendors did not quote the specific apparatus we plan to purchase- the 107' Ascendant Tiller.

3. Informal bids received and prices for each:

The quotes from Sutphen Corporation The apparatus from Atlantic Emergency Solutions, Inc., (Pierce Tillers) have been part of the Fire Division's standardized equipment for several years, as both the Divisions of Fire and Fleet Management believe these products are the best for their operations given the quality, durability and customizability each manufacturer offers, as well as the cost-effective approach that has resulted from negotiating directly with each manufacturer during the build process. The subsequent contracts established by Fleet Management with each manufacturer have also simplified the managing of parts/service after purchase.For the reasons of having a geographical location of a manufacturer repair center and maintaining standardization of the fleet, we wish to purchase the apparatus from Atlantic Emergency Solutions.

4. If lowest bid was not accepted, Explain:

The lowest responsive bid was accepted.

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