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Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

The Division of Mobility Options has a contract with ACS State and Local Solutions Inc. to provide parking ticket processing services for the City of Columbus. This ordinance authorizes the Director of Public Service to modify and extend the contract between ACS State and Local Solutions and the Department of Public Service, Division of Mobility Options, from April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011.

The first of six years of the agreement between ACS State and Local Solutions and the Department of Public Service, Division of Mobility Options was authorized by Ordinance 0217-2008. The first of five renewal options for this contract was authorized by ordinance 0392-2009. This is the second of five renewal options for this contract.

This contract is a complete turnkey system that includes all software, hardware, licenses, and maintenance necessary to process parking citations on a transaction fee basis. It presently includes: a cash remittance system that incorporates walk-in, US Mail, pay-by-web, and pay-by-phone technologies; data entry, data processing, mailing of notices; a registration hold interface with the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles; and a secondary collection effort for tickets that remain unpaid after going through the entire noticing process and still remain outstanding. The net funds collected under this effort are deposited in the General Fund, while a collection percentage fee is deposited in the Collection Fees Fund, established by the City Auditor and Department of Finance and Management through Ordinance 0474-2003.

Searches in the Excluded Party List System (Federal) and the Findings for Recovery list (State) produced no findings against ACS State and Local Solutions.

2. CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

ACS State and Local Solutions (ACS) contract compliance number is 131996647 and expires 06/10/2010.

3. FISCAL IMPACT

These expenses are budgeted and available in the Collection Fees Fund, Delinquent Parking Tickets Subfund and the General Fund.

4. EMERGENCY ACTION

Emergency action is requested to renew this contract for a one year period and to ensure uninterrupted service from the provider for the period from April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011.

To authorize the Director of Public Service to renew the contract for the Division of Mobility Options with ACS State and Local Solutions to provide parking violation processing services; to authorize the expenditure of \$347,250.00 from the General Fund; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$170,000 within the Collection Fee Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$517,250.00)

WHEREAS, the Parking Violations Bureau has contracted out for parking violation processing services since its inception in 1983; and

WHEREAS, the parking violation processing services contract was authorized by ordinance 0217-2008 and expired on March 31, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the contract was modified and extended for the second year of a six year contract by ordinance 0392-2009; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to modify and extend this contract for the third year of a six year contract from April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the net funds collected as part of a special collection effort are deposited into the General Fund, with the collection fee associated with this effort are deposited in the Collection Fee Fund, in special sub fund entitled Delinquent Parking Tickets; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Parking Violations Bureau that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of Public Service to enter into contract with ACS State and Local Solutions for continued, parking violation processing services, and special collection processing thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

Section 1. That the Director of Public Service be, and is hereby authorized to modify and extend the contract with ACS State and Local Solutions for parking ticket processing services. The renewal period for this contract shall be from April 1, 2010 thru March 31, 2011 with three (3) additional one-year options thereafter.

Section 2. That from the unappropriated funds in the Collection Fees Fund, Delinquent Parking Tickets Subfund, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the period ending March 31, 2011, the sum of \$170,000.00 is appropriated to the Department of Public Service, Division of Mobility Options, Department-Division 59-10, Collection Fee Fund 295, Subfund 003, O.L. 1 Code 03, O.L. 3 Code 3336, OCA number 591049.

Section 3. That the expenditure of up to \$517,250.00 or so much thereof that may be necessary in regard to the action authorized in Section's 1 and 2 above, be and is hereby authorized and approved as follows:

FUND	SubFund	Dept.-Div	OCA	O.L. 01	O.L. 03	Amount
General -010		59-10	591013	03	3336	\$347,250.00
Collection Fee - 295	003	59-10	591049	03	3336	\$170,000.00

Section 4. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

Section 5. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is declared an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approved by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.