



Legislation Text

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..Explanation

BACKGROUND: This legislation is for the option to establish a UTC contract for Weed & Vegetation Management for the Department of Public Utilities as the primary user. This contract will provide for the purchase and delivery of specialized Weed & Vegetation Management used primarily for weed control by the Division of Water, Department of Public Utilities. The term of the proposed option contract would be approximately two years, expiring December 30, 2018, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on August 29, 2016.

The Purchasing Office advertised and solicited competitive bids in accordance with the relevant provisions of Section 329.06 relating to competitive bidding (Solicitation No. RFQ002688). Eighty-one (81) bids were solicited; two (2) bids were received.

The Purchasing Office is recommending award to the overall lowest, responsive, responsible and best bidder as follows:

Hickman Lawn Care, Inc., MAJ, CC# CC32478-9330 expires 12/01/2017, Lines 10, for \$1.00
Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$27,000, Division of Water, the primary user

The company is not debarred according to the Excluded Party Listing System of the Federal Government or prohibited from being awarded a contract according to the Auditor of State Unresolved Findings for Recovery Certified Search

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding to establish this option contract is from the General Fund. City Agencies will be required to obtain approval to expend from their own appropriations for their estimated annual expenditures.

To authorize the Finance and Management Director to enter into a contract for the option to purchase Weed & Vegetation Management with Hickman Lawn Care, Inc.; to authorize the expenditure of \$1.00 to establish the contract from the General Fund. (\$1.00).

WHEREAS, the Weed & Vegetation Management UTC will provide for the purchase and delivery of specialized weed control for use in specific locations assigned, primarily by Division of Water and Public Utilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on August 29, 2016 and selected the overall lowest, responsive, responsible and best bidder; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance addresses Purchasing objective of 1) maximizing the use of City resources by obtaining optimal products/services at low prices and 2) encouraging economic development by improving access to City bid opportunities and 3) providing effective option contracts for City agencies to efficiently maintain their supply chain and service to the public; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities to authorize the Finance and Management Director to enter into a contract for the option to purchase Weed & Vegetation Management, 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 Finance and Management Director be and is hereby authorized to enter into the following contract for the option to purchase Weed & Vegetation Management in accordance with Solicitation No. RFQ002688 for a term of approximately two years, expiring December 30, 2018, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year, as follows:

Hickman Lawn Care, Inc., Line 10, for \$1.00

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 General Fund in Object Class 02 Materials and Supplies per the account codes in the attachment of this ordinance to pay the cost thereof.

SECTION 3. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.