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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND:

This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Technology, on behalf of the Departments of Building and Zoning Services, Development, Public Utilities, and Public Service, to enter into a software maintenance and support contract with Accela, Inc., for the period April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019, in the amount of \$356,197.62. The original contract for this software (CT17745) was awarded to Open Data Systems as a solution for tracking building permit activity. The annual contract was transferred to Accela, Inc. in 2001 when Open Data Systems was acquired under ordinance 1754-01, passed October 22, 2001. The total cost of this contract is \$356,197.62, which includes \$351,752.78 for existing standard and silver maintenance and support for 711,975 licenses; \$2,382.87 for additional Land Management maintenance and support- silver for 5 licenses (term period 5/16/2018 -3/31/2019; and \$2,061.97 for additional GIS maintenance and support-silver for 7 licenses (term period 11/20/2018 -3/31/2019). The most recent contract was authorized by ordinance 0961-2017, passed May 1, 2017 through PO062061.

The contract supports the provisions for services between the City of Columbus and Accela, Inc. for the purpose of software maintenance and support services utilized by the Department of Building and Zoning Services; which also supports daily operational functions that benefit various city departments and divisions such as, yet not limited to: the Department of Development, the Department of Public Utilities, and transportation divisions in the Public Service Department. These maintenance and support services include technical assistance, support, upgrades, and telephone support services for the Accela Automation (AA) System application, used to issue building permits, track code enforcement activities and monitor the performance of the One Stop Shop. Without the passage of this legislation, the Department of Technology will lose the ability to maintain the AA application, eliminating the ability to provide web access for building permits, data, and information utilized by citizens regarding issues such as building permits and inspections.

Finally, this ordinance requests approval to provide services by Accela in accordance with sole source procurement provisions of Chapter 329 of the Columbus City Code as it has been determined Accela, Inc. is the sole distributor of the AA application, and does not utilize distributors or resellers to provide maintenance and support for its software products.

EMERGENCY: Emergency action is requested to expedite authorization of this contract in order to facilitate and maintain uninterrupted services from the supplier.

FISCAL IMPACT:

In 2016 (\$356,320.45) and 2017 (\$336,572.44) was legislated to be expended for additional licenses purchased in 2016 along with software maintenance and support services for the Accela, Inc. application. For year 2018, software maintenance and support services will cost \$356,197.62. Funds are budgeted and available within the Department of Technology, direct charge agencies, Information Services Operating Fund.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE:

Vendor Name: Accela, Inc. FID/CC#: 94 - 2767678 Expiration Date: 3/8/2019
(DAX Vendor Account #010838)

To authorize the Director of the Department of Technology to enter into a contract with Accela, Inc. for software maintenance support services on existing and additional licenses in accordance with the sole source provisions of Columbus City Code; and to authorize the expenditure of \$356,197.62 from the Department of Technology, Information

Services Operating Fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$356,197.62)

WHEREAS, the original contract for this software (CT17745) was awarded to Open Data Systems as a solution for tracking building permit activity. The annual contract was transferred to Accela, Inc. in 2001 when Open Data Systems was acquired under ordinance 1754-01, passed October 22, 2001.; and

WHEREAS, this legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Technology, on behalf of the Departments of Building and Zoning Services, Development, Public Utilities and Public Service to enter into a software maintenance and support contract with Accela, Inc., for the term period of April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019, in the amount of \$356,197.62; and

WHEREAS, the contract will support the provisions for services between the City of Columbus and Accela, Inc. for the purpose of software maintenance and support services utilized by the Department of Building and Zoning Services which also supports daily operational functions that benefit various City departments and divisions such as, yet not limited to: the Department of Development, the Department of Public Utilities, and transportation divisions in the Public Service Department; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined Accela, Inc. is the sole distributor of the AA application, and does not utilize distributors or resellers to provide maintenance and support for its software products; as such, this ordinance requests approval to continue services provided by Accela in accordance with sole source procurement provisions of Chapter 329 of the Columbus City Code; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exist in the usual daily operation of the Department of Technology in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of the Department of Technology, on behalf of various departments to enter into a maintenance and support contract with Accela, Inc. to avoid service interruption, 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 the Department of Technology, on behalf of the Departments of Building and Zoning Services (BZS), Development, Public Utilities, and Public Service be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for software maintenance and support agreement with Accela, Inc., for the period April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019, in the amount of \$356,197.62.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$356,197.62 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby authorized to be expended from: (see attachment 0738-2018 EXP)

Department of Development

Dept.: 47 | **Div.:** 4701 | **Obj. Class:** 03 | **Main Account:** 63946 | **Fund:** 5100 | **Subfund:** 510001 | **Program:** CW001 | **Section 3:** 470104 | **Section 4:** IS01 | **Section 5:** IT1211 | **Amount:** \$89,049.41

Building and Zoning Services

Dept.: 47 | **Div.:** 4701 | **Obj. Class:** 03 | **Main Account:** 63946 | **Fund:** 5100 | **Subfund:** 510001 | **Program:** CW001 | **Section 3:** 470104 | **Section 4:** IS02 | **Section 5:** IT1303 | **Amount:** \$181,660.79

DPU - Electricity

Dept.: 47 | **Div.:** 4701 | **Obj. Class:** 03 | **Main Account:** 63946 | **Fund:** 5100 | **Subfund:** 510001 | **Program:** CW001 | **Section 3:** 470104 | **Section 4:** IS02 | **Section 5:** IT1308 | **Amount:** \$1,955.51

DPU - Water

Dept.: 47 | **Div.:** 4701 | **Obj. Class:** 03 | **Main Account:** 63946 | **Fund:** 5100 | **Subfund:** 510001 | **Program:** CW001

Section 3: 470104 | **Section 4:** IS02 | **Section 5:** IT1309 | **Amount:** \$12,438.42

DPU - Sewers & Drains

Dept.: 47 | **Div.:** 4701 | **Obj.:** Class: 03 | **Main Account:** 63946 | **Fund:** 5100 | **Subfund:** 510001 | **Program:** CW001 |
Section 3: 470104 | **Section 4:** IS02 | **Section 5:** IT1310 | **Amount:** \$13,945.14

DPU - Storm Water

Dept.: 47 | **Div.:** 4701 | **Obj.:** Class: 03 | **Main Account:** 63946 | **Fund:** 5100 | **Subfund:** 510001 | **Program:** CW001 |
Section 3: 470104 | **Section 4:** IS02 | **Section 5:** IT1311 | **Amount:** \$3,718.70

Department of Public Service: Trans-Design & Construction

Dept.: 47 | **Div.:** 4701 | **Obj.:** Class: 03 | **Main Account:** 63946 | **Fund:** 5100 | **Subfund:** 510001 | **Program:** CW001 |
Section 3: 470104 | **Section 4:** IS02 | **Section 5:** IT1315 | **Amount:** \$9,617.34

Department of Public Service: Trans-Infrastructure

Dept.: 47 | **Div.:** 4701 | **Obj.:** Class: 03 | **Main Account:** 63946 | **Fund:** 5100 | **Subfund:** 510001 | **Program:** CW001 |
Section 3: 470104 | **Section 4:** IS02 | **Section 5:** IT1316 | **Amount:** \$43,812.31

SECTION 3: 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 4: 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 5: That this contract is being established in accordance with the sole source provisions of the Columbus City Code, Chapter 329.

SECTION 6: That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is declared to be an emergency and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.