



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This ordinance authorizes the Finance and Management Director to renew a contract with S. A. Comunale Company, Inc. for annual smoke and fire alarm testing, inspection and repair and sprinkler inspections, fire pump testing, and fire suppression testing for City-owned facilities under the purview of the Facilities Management Division. The proposed renewal provides funding for repairs that were delayed due to budget constraints in prior years. The Division has deemed the repairs as necessary for safety and operational needs.

The original contract was authorized by Ordinance No. 0726-2008, passed May 5, 2008, with four one-year renewal options. It was modified by Ordinance No. 0125-2009, passed February 23, 2009. The term of this renewal is May 6, 2010 through May 5, 2011.

Emergency action is requested to allow fire alarm, smoke alarm, sprinkler and pump testing to begin without delay. This is important life/safety equipment and a delay could lead to building code violations.

Fiscal Impact: The Facilities Management Division budgeted \$150,000.00 in the 2010 budget for smoke/fire alarm testing and repair. The total cost of the original contract is \$127,889.00. The cost of this renewal is \$198,000.00. The overrun will be funded by reducing monies budgeted for unexpected emergencies. In years past, most emergencies addressed by the Facilities Management Division were caused by extreme cold weather. To date in 2010, no significant emergencies have arisen.

S. A. Comunale Company, Inc. Contract Compliance No. 34-1122758 expiration date April 9, 2011.

To authorize the Finance and Management Director to renew a contract with S. A. Comunale Company, Inc. for annual smoke and fire alarm testing, inspection and repair, sprinkler inspections, fire pump testing, and fire suppression inspection for facilities under the purview of the Facilities Management Division; to authorize the expenditure of \$198,000.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$198,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Facilities Management Division is in need of smoke and fire alarm testing, as well as the inspection and repair of said items, including sprinklers, fire pumps, and other fire suppression equipment; and

WHEREAS, the contract with S. A. Comunale Company, Inc., modified by Ordinance No. 0125-2009, passed February 23, 2009, contains an option to renew the existing agreements for four one-year periods; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Finance and Management Department, Facilities Management Division, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Finance and Management Director to modify and increase a contract with S. A. Comunale Company, Inc. for City-owned facilities under the purview of the Facilities Management Division to allow testing and repair of the life safety equipment without delay, thereby preserving the public health, 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 is hereby authorized to renew a contract with S. A. Comunale Company, Inc. for or annual smoke and fire alarm testing, inspection and repair, and sprinkler inspections, fire pump testing, and fire suppression testing for City-owned facilities under the purview of the Facilities Management Division, for the period of May 6, 2010 through May 5, 2011.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$198,000.00, or so much thereof that may be necessary in regards to the action authorized in SECTION 1, be and is hereby authorized and approved as follows:

Division: 45-07

Fund: 010
OCA Code: 450044
Object Level 1: 03
Object Level 3: 3370
Amount: \$198,000.00

SECTION 3. That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure 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.