



Legislation Text

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..Explanation

BACKGROUND: This legislation is for the option to establish a Universal Term Contract for PVC Sewer Pipe for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage, the primary user. This contract will provide for the purchase of pipe for use primarily by the Sewer Maintenance Facility for various repair and replacement projects of sewer lines throughout the City of Columbus service area. The term of the proposed option contract would be approximately one year, expiring March 31, 2016, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on January 15, 2015.

The Purchasing Office advertised and solicited competitive bids in accordance with the relevant provisions of Chapter 329 relating to competitive bidding (Solicitation No. SA005698). Sixty-five (65) bids were solicited: (M1A-2, F1-1, MBR-1). Two (2) bids were received. The apparent low bidder bid minimum order quantities of 200' for 21" - 30" diameter pipe, in addition to large minimum order quantities for 4" through 15" pipe. The bid proposal states the agency buying practices dictates they will order limited quantities or a quantity of one 14' stick on an as needed basis. Pipe must be stored inside out of UV rays; pipe that is stored outside must be scraped if not used by the stamped expiration date. The Division of Sewerage and Drainage does not have the capacity to store that large a volume of pipe inside. The next low bidder bid no minimum quantity for pick-up orders and a reasonable minimum order requirement for delivery only.

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

Ferguson Waterworks, MAJ, CC# 54-1211771 expires 02/02/2017, All Items, \$1.00
Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$25,000, Division of Sewerage and Drainage, 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. This ordinance is being submitted as an emergency because, without emergency action, no less than 37 days will be added to this procurement cycle and the efficient delivery of valuable public services will be slowed.

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 PVC Sewer Pipe with Ferguson Waterworks, to authorize the expenditure of \$1.00 to establish the contract from the General Fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$1.00).

WHEREAS, the PVC Sewer Pipe UTC will provide for the purchase of pipe for use primarily by the Sewer Maintenance Facility for various repair and replacement projects of sewer lines throughout the City of Columbus service area; and,

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on January 15, 2015 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, in order to maintain a supply of PVC Sewer Pipe, this is being submitted for consideration as an emergency measure; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Purchasing Office in that it is immediately necessary to enter into a contract for the option to purchase PVC Sewer Pipe, 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 PVC Sewer Pipe in accordance with Solicitation No. SA005698 for a term of approximately one year, expiring March 30, 2016, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year, as follows:

Ferguson Waterworks, All Items, \$1.00

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from the General Fund, Organization Level 1: 45-01, Fund 10, OCA: 450047, Object Level 3: 2270 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 for the reason 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.