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Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Technology to enter into an agreement with OARnet /OSU, a local non-profit educational institute (servicing grades K-12, colleges, and universities) for continued fiber network and broadband access and related services, in the amount of \$81,600.00. The original agreement was authorized by ordinance 0789-2007, which was passed on June 4, 2007. It was most recently authorized on March 22, 2021 with the passage of ordinance 0558-2021.

The City's Department of Technology provides Columbus' residents, visitors and businesses with sustained, reliable and efficient technology services, infrastructure and telecommunications. The City focuses on the delivery and operations of vital IT infrastructure network and telecommunication services, continuous service improvement and solutions to enable customer success. OARnet is the provider of the State of Ohio's 100 gigabit backbone network, which provides transport services to state and local government, education, research, and healthcare communities throughout Ohio. OARnet's network is the broadband gateway to a wide array of shared services designed to ensure Ohio is a technology leader.

With authorization of this agreement, OARnet will provide the City with upgraded internet service for one (1) year, from March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2023, at a cost of \$81,600.00. Included in this price is high-speed internet service and a 10-Gigabit port connection at the East and West Data Centers.

FISCAL IMPACT

Last year (2021), the Department of Technology legislated \$100,000.00 for continued fiber network and broadband access and related services. The cost for this year (2022) is \$81,600.00 for services from March 2022 through February 2023 and is budgeted and available in the Department of Technology, Information Services Division, Operating budget.

NOT-FOR-PROFIT CONTRACT INFORMATION

This agreement is being awarded under City Code section 329.30, which prescribes the method for contracting with not-for-profit organizations. DoT and OarNet negotiated the cost for provision of the above-described services, the costs for which are outlined in the attachment to this ordinance. The services being authorized herein include upgraded internet service and continued broadband access which must be provided by an outside agency.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

Vendor: OARnet/OSU CC#/F.I.D#: 31-6025986-105 (Non-Profit Organization); Expiration Date: NPO
DAX Vendor Acct. #: 005303

To authorize the Director of the Department of Technology to enter into an agreement with OARnet/OSU for continued and upgraded internet access pursuant to City Code relating to not-for-profit service contracts; and to authorize the expenditure of \$81,600.00 from the Department of Technology, Information Services Division, Information Services Operating Fund. (\$81,600.00)

WHEREAS, the city has a need for continued and upgraded internet and broadband service; and

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WHEREAS, with authorization of this agreement, OARnet will provide the City with upgraded internet service for one year, from March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2023, at a cost of \$81,600.00. Included in this price is high-speed internet service and a 10-Gigabit port connection at the East and West Data Centers; and

WHEREAS, OARnet/OSU, a local non-profit educational institute (servicing grades K-12, colleges, and universities) provides these services; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Technology wishes to continue receiving these services from OARnet; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes entering into an agreement with OARnet/OSU under the provisions of City Code Section 329.30 for not-for-profit service contracts for \$81,600.00 to pay for the above-described services for a period of one year, from March 2022 through February 2023; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Department of Technology to authorize the Director of Technology to enter into an agreement with OARnet/OSU, a local non-profit organization, for continued and upgraded internet and broadband service; Now Therefore:

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of the Department of Technology be and is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement, pursuant to City Code provisions relating to for not-for-profit service contracts, with OARnet/OSU for continued and upgraded internet and broadband service for the period of March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2023.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$81,600.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the services outlined in SECTION 1, is hereby authorized from the Department of Technology, Information Services Division, Information Services Operating Fund, as follows in the attachment to this ordinance (**please see attachment 0774-2022 EXP**).

SECTION 3. That the monies in the foregoing Sections shall be paid upon order of the Director of the Department of Technology, and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

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 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 6. That this agreement is made and entered into in accordance with the not-for-profit service contract provisions of Chapter 329 of the Columbus City Code.

SECTION 7. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.