City of Columbus

Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Technology (DoT), to renew a contract with SHI International Corporation (a.k.a., SHI) for the purchase of Cloudflare core services, in the amount of $51,612.90, for the coverage term period from April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024. Cloudflare is the Department of Technology's external DNS provider and provider of custom certificates. In addition this purchase will also provide protection for the denial of service attacks and mitigation, and web application firewall services. Cloudflare has provided the City of Columbus robust DNS management as well as DNS security. The original contract was authorized and established via Ord. No. 1084-2022 (RFQ020895), passed on May 2, 2022 through purchase order PO333925 for Cloudflare core services. The term of the of this contract will be for one (1) year, from April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024. This contract is not subject to automatic renewal, however upon mutual agreement and authorized appropriation the contract can be renewed for two (2) more additional one-year terms. This ordinance authorizes the expenditure of $51,612.90 for the purchase of the above-described Cloudflare core services.

FISCAL IMPACT:
Last year (2022) the Department of Technology expended $53,932.58 with SHI International Corporation for Cloudflare core services. This year (2023), funds for the above-mentioned Cloudflare core services in the amount of $51,612.90 are available and budgeted in the 2023 Information Services Operating budget, as noted in the attachment to this ordinance. Including this renewal, the aggregate total contract amount is $105,545.48

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION:
Emergency action is requested to ensure prompt purchase order execution so that these critical services are in place as soon as possible. Cloudflare core services are the Department of Technology's external DNS provider and provider of custom certificates and also provide protection for the denial of service attacks and mitigation, and web application firewall services. Without the passage of this ordinance the City would be vulnerable to potential security threats/issues as Cloudflare provides the City of Columbus robust DNS management as well as DNS security.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE:
Vendor Name: SHI International Corporation;   CC#: 22-3009648;   Expiration Date: 5/5/2024
DAX Vendor Acct.: # 001671

To authorize the Director of the Department of Technology to renew a contract with SHI International Corporation (a.k.a., SHI) for the purchase of Cloudflare core services, in the amount of $51,612.90; to authorize the expenditure of $51,612.90 from the Information Services Operating Fund for the above-described purpose, and to declare an emergency. ($51,612.90)

WHEREAS, the original contract was authorized and established via Ord. No. 1084-2022 (RFQ020895), passed on May 2, 2022 through purchase order PO333925 for Cloudflare core services; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Director of the Department of Technology to renew a contract with Software House International (a.k.a., SHI) for the purchase of Cloudflare core services, in the amount of $51,612.90, for the coverage term period from April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024. This contract is not subject to automatic renewal,

however upon mutual agreement and authorized appropriation the contract can be renewed for two (2) remaining additional one-year terms; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to expend $51,612.90 for the purchase of the above-described purpose; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists 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 to renew a contract with SHI International Corporation (a.k.a., SHI) for the purchase of Cloudflare core services; to avoid an interruption in services and to ensure prompt contract execution. Without the passage of this ordinance the City would be vulnerable to potential security threats/issues as Cloudflare provides the City of Columbus robust DNS management as well as DNS security, 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 (DoT) be and is hereby authorized to renew a contract with SHI International Corporation (a.k.a., SHI), for the purchase of Cloudflare core services in the amount of $51,612.90 for a term of one (1) year, beginning on April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of up to $51,612.90, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized as provided on the attachment to this ordinance **(Please see attachment 0673-2023 EXP).**

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 for the 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.