



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** For the option to purchase McAfee Anti-Virus Software and Services for the Department of Technology, the largest user. The term of the proposed option contract would be two (2) years. Contract is through June 30, 2009. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on March 1, 2007.

The Purchasing Office advertised and solicited competitive bids in accordance with Section 329.06 (Solicitation SA002306JY). Fifty-three bids were solicited; Six (6) were received (3MAJ, 1M1A, 2F1).

Software House International, Inc. was low bid on all but three of the items bid and CDW Government, Inc. was low on three items (3.1.15, 3.1.16 & 3.1.19). Due to the cost to administer two contracts the Department of Technology and the Purchasing Office recommend the award of a contract to the overall lowest, responsive, responsible and best bidder:

Software House International Inc., F1, CC#22-3009648 (Expires November 9, 2007)

Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$90,000.00

This company is not debarred according to the State of Ohio Unresolved Findings for Recovery database or the Federal Government Excluded Parties Listing.

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 budgeted in the Universal Term Contract (UTC) Fund. The Department of Technology and other agencies will be required to obtain approval to expend from their own appropriations for their estimated annual expenditures.

To authorize and direct the Finance and Management Director to enter into an UTC contract for the option to purchase McAfee Anti-Virus Software and Services, to authorize the expenditure of one (1) dollar to establish the contract from the Purchasing/Contract Operation Fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$1.00).

**WHEREAS**, the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on March 1, 2007 and selected the lowest, responsible and best bid; 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 establish a supply matrix as soon as possible for these needed Anti-Virus Software and Services utilized by the Department of Technology to protect programs and communication via the internet utilized by city agencies, 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(s) for an option to purchase McAfee Anti-Virus Software and Services, 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 and directed to enter into the following contract for an option to purchase McAfee Anti-Virus Software and Services in accordance with SA002306JY as follows:

Software House International, Inc., All Items: Amount: \$1.00

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from Purchasing Contract Account, Organization Level 1: 45-01, Fund: 05-517, Object Level 3: 2270, OCA: 450020, to pay the cost thereof.

SECTION 3. That for the reason stated in the preamble here to, 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.