



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** For the option to purchase On-Line Surplus Auction Services from AssetNation, Inc. the State Contract Vendor and authorized fiscal agent by the Columbus Depository Commission. The term of the proposed option contract would be through March 31, 2011 with an option to extend for two (2) one year periods contingent on the extension of the Ohio Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Cooperative Contract (GDC042Z).

Columbus City Code Section 329.30 provides for the sale of city-owned personal property and authorizes the Finance and Management Director to sell surplus property. The Purchasing Office conducted research regarding on-line auctions and has determined that the use of the services offered by AssetNation, Inc. is in the best interests of the City. This replaces a similar contract authorized and extended by Ordinance #1704-2008 and #0155-2009 and will expire on March 31, 2010. Revenue from surplus sales exceeded \$1.1 mil in 2009.

The Purchasing Office recommends a contract be established with AssetNation, Inc. based on the State's cooperative contract. This contract is in effect until March 31, 2011 and may be extended at the discretion of DAS. City Ordinance #582-87 authorizes the use of DAS cooperative contracts by the City.

AssetNation, Inc. CC# 943345105 Expires January 27, 2011

Estimated Annual Expenditure: There is no annual expenditure to use this service.

These companies are not debarred according to the Federal Excluded Parties Listing or the State Auditor's Findings For Recovery Database.

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. The disposition of city assets via this mechanism has been significantly enhanced by on-line sale. Keeping the continuity of this mechanism in place will allow the city to continue this program.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding to establish this option contract is budgeted in the Mail, Print Services and UTC Fund.

To authorize and direct the Finance & Management Director to enter into a contract for an option to purchase On-Line Auction Services with AssetNation, Inc., to authorize the expenditure of one dollar to establish the contract from the Mail, Print Services and UTC Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$1.00)

WHEREAS, the City Finance & Management Director is authorized to sell city-owned surplus property to the highest bidder; and

WHEREAS, City Ordinance #582-1987 authorizes the Purchasing Administrator to participate in Ohio Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Cooperative Purchasing contracts; and

WHEREAS, the DAS established a Cooperative Purchasing contract with AssetNation, Inc. for on-line auction services; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance addresses the Purchasing Office objective of maximizing the use of City resources by selling surplus at the highest prices; 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 an option to purchase On-Line Auction 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 & Management Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract for an option to purchase on-line auction services with AssetNation, Inc. for a period ending March 31, 2011 with the option to extend for an additional two (2) one year periods contingent upon the extension of the Ohio Department of Administrative Services (DAS) cooperative contract (GDC042Z) as follows

AssetNation, Inc; On-Line Auction Services: Amount \$1.00

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from the Mail, Print Services, and UTC Fund , Organization Level 1: 45-01, Fund: 05-517, Object Level 3: 2270, OCA: 451130, 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.