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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Finance and Management Director to establish a Universal Term Contract (UTC) for the option to purchase Computers and Accessories with Softchoice□□□□ CORP□□□□. The Department of Technology is the primary user of the Computers and Accessories contract. The term of the proposed option contract would be approximately two (2) years, expiring April 30, 2022 with the option to renew for one (1) additional year. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on March 26, 2020. In addition, the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO001343.

The Purchasing Office advertised and solicited competitive bids in accordance with the relevant provisions of Section 329 relating to competitive bidding (Request for Quotation No. RFQ014884). Four (4) bids were received.

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

Softchoice Corp. CC# 022312 expires 1/14/2022, Items# 1-16 and catalog, \$1.00

Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$1,500,000.00 city-wide.

Emergency Designation: The Finance and Management Department respectfully requests this legislation be considered an emergency measure because the current contract has expired.

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.

FISCAL IMPACT: The expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO001343. 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 Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Computers and Accessories with Softchoice□□□□ CORP□□□□□□.; to authorize the expenditure of \$1.00 from General Budget Reservation BRPO001343; and to declare an emergency. (\$1.00).

WHEREAS, the Computers and Accessories Universal Term Contract will provide for the replacement of older, high maintenance desktop, laptop, mobile table, table computers and accessories used in the daily operations of City agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on March 26, 2020 and selected the most responsive, responsible and best bidder; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Technology in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Finance and Management Director to enter into a Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Computers and Accessories with Softchoice CORP. to maintain an uninterrupted supply of equipment, 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 is hereby authorized to enter into the following contract for the option to purchase Computers and Accessories in accordance with Request for Quotation RFQ014884 for a term of approximately two (2) years, expiring April 30, 2022, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year, as follows:

Softchoice Corp., Items# 1-16 and catalog, \$1.00

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO001343 of this ordinance 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.