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Legislation Text

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This Ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Technology, on behalf of the Columbus Public Health Department, to enter into a contract with Accela Inc. for annual software license maintenance and support services for the Envision Connect system utilized by the Environmental Health unit. The original contract (EL000490) was established by the Columbus Health Department in 2000 with Decade Software Company, which was acquired by Accela in November 2014. This contract was most recently renewed by authority of ordinance 1317-2022, passed May 23, 2022. This renewal will continue service for one year, starting on July 1, 2023 and ending on June 30, 2024 at a cost of \$150,713.07.

The Envision Connect system provides the Columbus Public Health Department the ability to operate the Environmental Health unit by providing an extensive array of services such as tracking and maintaining information associated with inspections, historical data of restaurants and other businesses, tracking sanitation standards data, vector control for mosquitoes, environmental reviews, accounts receivable/payable and billings as well as statistics and analysis regarding the Environmental Health unit. With authorization of this renewal, Accela will continue to provide telephone support services, software maintenance, training, upgrades and enhancements, and application hosting services. Without this service, the Columbus Public Health Department would lose the ability to operate the Environmental Health unit, which could result in the failure to meet requirements mandated by the State of Ohio.

Accela Inc. is the sole provider of maintenance and support for Envision Connect software. As such, this ordinance is being established in accordance with the sole source provisions of the Columbus City Code Chapter 329.

Finally, this ordinance authorizes the expenditure of \$150,713.07 for the above-described purpose.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for the purpose described above are budgeted and available in the 2023 Information Services operating budget.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

Vendor Name: Accela, Inc.; FID/CC#: 94-2767678, Expiration Date: 3/26/2023

DAX Vendor Account # 010838

To authorize the Director of the Department of Technology to enter into contract renewal with Accela, Inc., on behalf of the Columbus Public Health Department, for software license maintenance and support services for the Envision Connect system in accordance with sole source procurement provisions of the Columbus City Codes; and to authorize the expenditure of \$150,713.07 from the Health Department's direct charge allocation of the Department of Technology, Information Services Operating Fund. (\$150,713.07)

WHEREAS, the Environmental Health unit of the Columbus Health Department uses Accela's Envision Connect system on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, the current contract for support of the Envision Connect system expires on June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Technology, on behalf of the Columbus Public Health Department wishes to renew the contract with Accela Inc. for annual software license maintenance and support services for the Envision Connect system; and

WHEREAS, the contract renewal will be for one year, starting on July 1, 2023 and ending on June 30, 2024 at a cost of \$150,713.07; and

WHEREAS, as Accela Inc. is the sole provider of maintenance and support services for Envision Connect software, this ordinance is being established in accordance with the sole source provisions of the Columbus City Codes, Section 329; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Department of Technology to enter into contract with Accela, Inc. on behalf of the Columbus Public Health Department, for annual software maintenance and support services for the Envision Connect system in accordance with sole source provisions of Columbus City Codes for the preservation of the public peace, property, health, 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 be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract renewal with Accela, Inc., on behalf of the Columbus Public Health Department, for software licensing, maintenance and support, and hosting services for the Envision Connect system for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 at cost of \$150,713.07 in accordance with the sole source provisions of the Columbus City Code, Chapter 329.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$150,713.07, or so much thereof as may be necessary in regard to the action authorized by Section 1 is hereby authorized to be expended as follows in the attachment to this ordinance. (Please see attachment 1103-2023EXP):

SECTION 3. That the monies in the foregoing Sections shall be paid upon order of the Director 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 ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.