

Legislation Text

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To authorize and direct the Director of Finance and Management to execute those documents necessary for the acquisition of equipment for the Division of Fire Bomb Squad with Government Scientific Source Inc. utilizing Homeland Security Grant funds; and to declare an emergency. (\$0.00)

BACKGROUND: The Division of Fire was awarded a grant from the Department of Homeland Security to purchase Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) equipment for the Bomb Squad. The total cost of this equipment will be \$27,190.01, the payment of which will be issued by Franklin County, on behalf of the Department of Homeland Security and Ohio Emergency Management Agency. The City of Columbus and Franklin County entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement via Ordinance 1917-2005 to enable this type of purchase. This legislation will authorize and direct the Director of Finance and Management to execute those documents necessary for the acquisition of this equipment.

Bid Information: The Division of Fire was approved for a State Homeland Security Grant to purchase Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) equipment for the Bomb Squad. Bids were solicited by the Purchasing Office via solicitation SA004258 and opened 2/23/2012 with the following results:

Government Scientific Source Inc., a majority owned company ~ \$27,190.01

Federal Resources Supply Company, a female owned company ~ \$29,030.16

Laurus Systems Inc., a female owned company ~ \$29,158.81

After review of the bids received, the Fire Division recommends acceptance of the bid submitted by Government Scientific Source Inc., as the lowest and best bid. Government Scientific Resource Inc. is not debarred according to the Excluded Parties listing of the Federal Government and is not listed in the Auditor of State database for Findings for Recovery.

Contract Compliance: Government Scientific Source Inc. 541607358 exp. 2/24/2014

Emergency Designation: The Division of Fire requests emergency legislation so that approval can occur prior to expiration of the grant period (April 2012).

FISCAL IMPACT: This ordinance authorizes the Director of Finance and Management to execute those documents necessary to procure equipment in the amount of \$27,190.01 for the Division of Fire Bomb Squad using Homeland Security grant funds currently held by Franklin County. There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund.

WHEREAS, the Division of Fire needs to acquire Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) equipment for the Bomb Squad; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Fire has been awarded a grant from the Department of Homeland Security to purchase said equipment and training; and

WHEREAS, this acquisition is being made in accordance with bid solicitation SA004258, opened 2/23/2012 with Government Scientific Source Inc. submitting the lowest and best bid; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operations of the Division of Fire, Department of Public Safety, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize and direct the Director of Finance and Management to execute those documents necessary for the acquisition of said equipment prior to the expiration of the grant period, for the preservation of 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 Finance and Management be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute those documents necessary with Government Scientific Source Inc. for the acquisition of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) equipment for the Columbus Fire Bomb Squad, in accordance with bid solicitation SA004258 opened 2/23/2012.

SECTION 2. There is no city related expenditure associated with this ordinance; grant funds from the Department of Homeland Security are being administered via Franklin County in the amount of \$27,190.01.

SECTION 3. That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared 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.