



Legislation Text

File #: 2221-2014, Version: 1

BACKGROUND:

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Technology (DoT), on behalf of the Civil Service Commission, to enter into an agreement with Biddle Consulting Group Inc. for upgrades and licensing of CritiCall software. This software is utilized by the Civil Service Commission for testing of non-uniformed personnel. The previous agreement was authorized by ordinance 0992-2013, passed May 20, 2013 through purchase order EL014450. This contract agreement will provide an additional year of software maintenance and support for the period December 16, 2014 through December 16, 2015. The total cost of this purchase is \$3,995.00.

Biddle Consulting Group is the sole provider and copyright holder of the CritiCall software utilized by Civil Service. Accordingly, Biddle Consulting is also the sole source of supply for upgrades, maintenance, support, new releases and additional copies of these products. For this reason, this ordinance is being submitted in accordance with the provisions of Sole Source procurement of the City of Columbus Section 329.07.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Last year (2013), the Department of Technology expended \$17,126.00 (via Ord. 0992-2013) with Biddle Consulting Group, Inc., for services associated with CritiCall software utilized by the Civil Service Commission. The total funding for this purchase, in the amount of \$3,995.00 is available within the Department of Technology, Internal Service Fund, direct charge budget.

CONTRACT COMPLIANCE NUMBER:

Biddle Consulting Group Inc. CC#/FID#: 68 - 0465690 Expiration Date: 9/10/2016

To authorize the Director of the Department of Technology (DoT), on behalf of the Civil Service Commission, to enter into an agreement with Biddle Consulting Group Inc. for software maintenance and support of CritiCall software in accordance with sole source provisions in the Columbus City Code; and to authorize the expenditure of \$3,995.00 from the Department of Technology, internal service fund. (\$3,995.00)

WHEREAS, this legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Technology (DoT), on behalf of the Civil Service Commission, to enter into a contract agreement with Biddle Consulting Group Inc. for software maintenance and support of CritiCall software utilized by the Civil Service Commission for testing of non-uniformed personnel; and

WHEREAS, this contract agreement will provide an additional year of software maintenance and support for the period December 16, 2014 through December 16, 2015. The total cost of this purchase is \$3,995.00; and

WHEREAS, Biddle Consulting Group Inc. is the sole provider for upgrades and licensing of CritiCall software, this ordinance is being submitted in accordance with the provisions of Sole Source procurement of the City of Columbus Code, Section 329.07; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Director of the Department of Technology, on behalf of the Department of the Civil Service Commission, to enter into an agreement with Biddle Consulting Group Inc. for software maintenance

and support of CritiCall software for the preservation of the public health, peace, property and safety; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That the Director of the Department of Technology (DoT), on behalf of the Civil Service Commission, be and is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Biddle Consulting Group Inc. for software maintenance and support of CritiCall software. This contract agreement will provide software maintenance and support for the period December 16, 2014 through December 16, 2015. The total cost of this purchase is \$3,995.00.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$3,995.00 or so much thereof as may be needed is hereby authorized to be expended as follows:

Dept. /Div.: 47-01| Fund: 514| Sub-fund: 010|OCA Code: 270147| Obj. Level 1: 03| Obj. Level 3: 3358| Amount: \$3,995.00

SECTION 3. 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 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 this agreement is being established in accordance with the sole source provisions of the City of Columbus Code, Section 329.07.

SECTION 6. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.