



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This ordinance authorizes the purchase of cellular phone and wireless data communication services for the Department of Building and Zoning Services from an existing State of Ohio Term Contract with Celco Partnership dba Verizon Wireless. This purchase between the City of Columbus and State of Ohio is authorized by Ordinance 582-87 that allows for the cooperative purchasing between the State of Ohio Department of Administrative Services Cooperative Contracts and other governmental entities. The Department of Building and Zoning Services needs increased cellular connection in order to minimize any potential data disruptions for its many mobile applications. Testing performed by the City of Columbus showed that in these circumstances, Verizon's network performance is better than the current provider; therefore, the Department of Building and Zoning Services is requesting authorization to contract with them instead of Sprint for cellular phone and data communications.

Bid Information: A State of Ohio Term Contract exists for this purchase.

Contract Compliance: Celco Partnership #223372889

Emergency Designation: This legislation is to be considered an emergency measure to allow for the immediate use of said contract, and immediate purchase of Celco Partnership cellular services.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding in the amount of \$39,000.00 exists in the Department of Building Services, Development Services Fund budget for these services.

To authorize and direct the Finance and Management Director to issue a purchase order for cellular phone and wireless data communication services for the Department of Building and Zoning Services from an existing Cooperative State of Ohio Term Contract established for such purpose by the State of Ohio, Department of Administrative Services Purchasing Office with Celco Partnership dba Verizon Wireless, to authorize the expenditure of \$39,000.00 from the Development Services Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$39,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Department of Building and Zoning Services needs to purchase cellular phone and wireless data communications services; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Building and Zoning Services needs increased cellular connection in order to minimize any potential data disruptions for its many mobile applications; and

WHEREAS, a State of Ohio Term Contract established by the State of Ohio, Department of Administrative Services Purchasing Office exists for these purchases; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 582-87 authorized this cooperative purchasing effort between the State of Ohio and other governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Building and Zoning Services, in that it is immediately necessary to purchase said cellular services, 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 Finance and Management Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue purchase orders for the purchase of cellular phone and wireless data communication services for the Department of Building and Zoning Services in accordance with the existing State of Ohio Term Contract established by the State of Ohio Purchasing Office with Cellco Partnership dba Verizon Wireless, the purchase from which is authorized by Ord. 582-87.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$39,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized from the Department of Building and Zoning Services, Division 43-01, Development Services Fund, Fund 240, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3295, OCA 430102.

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 reasons 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 or vetoes the same.