



## Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Finance and Management Director to purchase DNA Investigator Kits and Qiagen EZ1 Advanced XL DNA Investigator Protocol Cards from Qiagen, Incorporated. The Forensic Biology section of the crime lab needs to purchase kits and consumables for DNA analysis of casework samples. The crime lab is requesting a blanket purchase order for \$15,000.00 in addition to the \$28,458.00 that was previously set up and expended this year.

**Bid Information:** Qiagen, Inc. is the sole vendor of the required items. The items must be purchased from Qiagen in order for the crime lab to meet project goals and to continue to be in compliance with the guidelines of a grant received for this purpose. The Police crime lab previously validated and is currently utilizing the Qiagen DNA platform. The kits and cards have to be Qiagen to be compatible with the current Qiagen Robots used to process the DNA samples. Therefore, this contract is being awarded pursuant to the sole source provisions of Chapter 329 of City Code.

This company is not debarred according to the Federal excluded parties listing or prohibited from being awarded a contract according to the Auditor of State unresolved findings for recovery certified search.

**Emergency Designation:** Emergency legislation is requested to supply the crime lab with required supplies for the remainder the year.

**Contract Compliance Number** - 954141306 expires on 4/21/2017.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** All of these purchases will be made using grant funds from the NIJ FY 14 DNA Backlog Reduction Program. There is no impact on the General Fund due to this purchase.

To authorize and direct the Finance and Management Director to issue a blanket purchase order to Qiagen, Inc. for the purchase of DNA investigator kits and cards for use by the Division of Police Crime Lab in accordance with sole source procurement provisions, to transfer appropriation within object levels, to authorize the expenditure of \$15,000.00 from the General Government Grant Funds; and to declare an emergency. (\$15,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** the Division of Police was awarded a grant that can be used to purchase supplies for DNA testing; and

**WHEREAS,** these supplies will make the screening and analyzing of forensic DNA casework samples possible; and

**WHEREAS,** Qiagen, Inc. is the sole source provider from whom to purchase these forensic supplies; and

**WHEREAS,** it is in the best interest of the city to enter this contract is pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 329 of city code relating to sole source procurement; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Public Safety Department, Division of Police, in that it is immediately necessary to purchase DNA investigator kits and cards for use by the Police Crime Lab, thereby preserving 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 Finance and Management be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue a blanket purchase order to Qiagen, Inc. for the purchase of DNA investigator kits and cards for the Division of Police.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Auditor is authorized to transfer \$15,000.00 between object levels as follows:

From: DIV-30-03/Fund 220/OBJ LEV (01) 03/OBJ LEV (03) 3372/ OCA#331409/GRANT #331409/AMOUNT \$15,000.00

To: DIV-30-03/Fund 220/OBJ LEV (01) 02/OBJ LEV (03) 2203/ OCA#331409/GRANT #331409/AMOUNT \$15,000.00

**SECTION 3.** That said agreement shall be awarded in accordance with provisions of Chapter 329 of city code relating to sole source procurement.

**SECTION 4.** That the expenditure of \$15,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized as follows:

DIV 30-03|FUND 220|OBJ LEV (01) 02|OBJ LEV (03) 2203|OCA# 331409|GRANT #331409| |AMOUNT \$15,000.00

**SECTION 5.** 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 nor vetoes the same.