



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This ordinance authorizes the option to continue purchasing Cisco Network Engineering Services for the Department of Technology, the primary user, and all City agencies with Network Dynamics Inc.

The term of the proposed option contract will be through September 30, 2018 with the option to extend one additional year, subject to mutual agreement by both parties, in accordance with formal bid RFQ002826. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on September 15, 2016. Cisco Network Engineering Services are used to obtain Cisco certified assistance with new and continuing projects for the Department of Technology and other City agencies.

The Purchasing Office advertised and solicited competitive bids in accordance with the competitive bid section of the City Code (RFQ No. RFQ002826). Eight hundred fourteen (814) bids were solicited. Three (3) bids were received (MAJ: 3).

The Purchasing Office is recommending award of a contract to the lowest responsive, responsible and best bidder through September 30, 2018 to:

Network Dynamics, Inc., CC#41419-95459, exp. 11/18/16  
Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$500,000.00

This company is not debarred according to the Excluded Parties listing of the Federal Government and is not listed in the Auditor of States database for Findings for Recovery.

This ordinance is being submitted as an emergency because without emergency action current and planned projects will be interrupted and the efficient delivery of valuable public services will be slowed.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding to establish this option contract is budgeted in the General Fund. The City agency will be required to obtain approval to expend from its own appropriations.

To authorize the Finance and Management Director to enter into a contract for the option to purchase Cisco Network Engineering Services with Network Dynamics, Inc.; to authorize the expenditure of one dollar (\$1.00) to establish this contract from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency.

**WHEREAS,** the Department of Technology and other agencies have ongoing needs to purchase Cisco Network Engineering Services; and

**WHEREAS,** this ordinance addresses the Purchasing objective of 1) maximizing the use of City resources by obtaining optimal products/services at low prices 2) encouraging economic development by improving access to City bid opportunities and 3) providing effective option contracts for the Department of Technology, and other City agencies and to efficiently maintain their supply chain and service to the public; and

**WHEREAS,** Cisco Network Engineering Services is used to obtain Cisco certified assistance with new and continuing projects for the Department of Technology and other City agencies, this is being submitted for consideration as an

emergency measure; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operations of the City of Columbus in that it is immediately necessary to enter into contract for the option to purchase Cisco Network Engineering Services thereby preserving 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 to enter into the following contract for the option to purchase Cisco Network Engineering Services for the term ending September 30, 2018 with the option to extend for one additional year subject to mutual agreement by both parties in accordance with RFQ No. RFQ002826 as follows:

Network Dynamics, Inc., all items: Amount \$1.00

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 General Fund in Object Class 03 Services, Materials and Supplies per the account codes in the attachment of this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That for the reason stated in the preamble here to, 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.