

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Finance and Management Director to establish a Universal Term Contract (UTC) for the option to purchase Cisco Equipment and Smartnet Maintenance with Network Dynamics, Inc. The Department of Technology is the primary user for telephony, networking equipment, and maintenance. Cisco Equipment and Smartnet Maintenance provides the ability to purchase equipment and maintenance for various computer and connectivity projects (including VoIP) for all City agencies. The term of the proposed option contract would be approximately three years, expiring June 30, 2021 with the option to renew for two (2) additional years. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on February 1, 2018.

The Purchasing Office advertised and solicited competitive bids in accordance with the relevant provisions of Section 329 relating to competitive bidding (Request for Quotation No. RFQ007746. Five (5) bids were received.

The Purchasing Office is recommending award to the overall lowest, responsible and best bidder as follows:

Network Dynamics, Inc., CC# 363941419 expires February 1, 2021, Items All Items, \$1.00 Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$1,500,000.00, Department of Technology, the primary user

Emergency Designation: The Finance and Management Department respectfully requests this legislation to be considered an emergency ordinance to continue with services that are necessary to support daily operation activities and to ensure no service interruption.

The company is not debarred according to the Excluded Party Listing System of the Federal Government or prohibited from being awarded a contract according to the Auditor of State Unresolved Findings for Recovery Certified Search.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding to establish this option contract is from the General Fund. City Agencies will be required to obtain approval to expend from their own appropriations for their estimated annual expenditures.

To authorize the Finance and Management Director to enter into a Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Cisco Equipment and Smartnet Maintenance with Network Dynamics, Inc.; to authorize the expenditure of \$1.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$1.00).

WHEREAS, the Cisco Equipment and Smartnet Maintenance UTC will provide for the purchase of Cisco Equipment and Smartnet Maintenance used for various computer parts, equipment, and connectivity projects (including VoIP) for all city agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on February 1, 2018 and selected Network Dynamics, Inc, as the overall lowest, responsive, responsible and best bidder; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Technology and other city agencies in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Finance and Management Director to immediately enter into a Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Cisco Equipment and Smartnet Maintenance with Network Dynamics for various computer parts and equipment, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; now,

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therefore

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

SECTION 1. That the Finance and Management Director is hereby authorized to enter into the following Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Cisco Equipment and Smartnet Maintenance in accordance with Request for Quotation RFQ007746 for a term of approximately three (3) years, expiring June 30, 2021, with the option to renew for two (2) additional years, as follows:

Network Dynamics, Inc, Items All Items, \$1.00

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 General Fund in Object Class 02 Materials and Supplies per the account codes in the attachment of this ordinance to pay the cost thereof.

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 reason 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.