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Legislation Text

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..Explanation

BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Finance and Management Director to renew an existing Universal Term Contract (UTC) for the option to obtain Lab, Specialty and Industrial Gases with Praxair Distribution, Inc. This contract provides gases for laboratory, welding, medical, and shop use in various City agencies.

The contract, PO066559 was established in accordance with Request for Quotation RFQ004201 and authorized under Ordinance Number 0865-2017 and will expire November 30, 2019. In accordance with the bid specifications, the City and Praxair Distribution, Inc. can renew the contract for an additional one year term subject to mutual agreement and approval of proper City Authorities. The new contract expiration date will be November 30, 2020.

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION: The Finance and Management Department respectfully requests this legislation be considered an emergency measure to insure there is no interruption of goods/services provided.

FISCAL IMPACT: No funding is required to renew the option contract. City Agencies utilizing the contract must set aside their own funding for their estimated expenditures.

To authorize the Finance and Management Director to renew a Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Lab, Specialty and Industrial Gases with Praxair Distribution, Inc., and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Office entered into a Universal Term Contract for Lab, Specialty and Industrial Gases for use by various City agencies; and

WHEREAS, this contract was entered into in accordance with Chapter 329 of the Columbus City Code, pursuant to solicitation RFQ004201 with Praxair Distribution, Inc. deemed the lowest, most responsive, responsible and best bidder; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the bid specifications, the City and Praxair Distribution, Inc. can renew the contract for an additional one year period, subject to mutual agreement and approval of proper City authorities; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Finance and Management in that it is necessary to immediately renew a Universal Term Contract with Praxair Distribution, Inc. for the option to obtain Lab, Specialty and Industrial Gases to insure there is no interruption of goods/services provided, 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 is hereby authorized to renew the option contract with Praxair Distribution, Inc., PO066559 for a period of one year, from November 30, 2019 to and including November 30, 2020.

SECTION 2. That this extension is in accordance with Section 329.09 of the Columbus City Code.

SECTION 3. 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.