



## Legislation Text

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### ..Explanation

**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the Finance and Management Director to establish a Universal Term Contract (UTC) for the option to purchase Underground Wire and Cable with Loeb Electric Company. The Division of Power is the sole user for underground wire and cable, used for the Division's underground electrical distribution system. The term of the proposed option contract would be approximately two years, expiring May 31, 2024, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on May 26, 2022. In addition, the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO002025.

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. RFQ021751). One (1) bid was received.

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

Loeb Electric Company, CC# 006028 expires 7/27/22, All Items, \$1.00  
Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$300,000.00, Division of Power, the sole user

**Emergency Designation:** The Finance and Management Department respectfully requests this legislation be considered an emergency ordinance to ensure sufficient supplies to maintain the electrical distribution system.

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:** The expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO002025. 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 contract for the option to purchase Underground Wire and Cable with Loeb Electric Company; to authorize the expenditure of \$1.00 from General Budget Reservation BRPO002025; and to declare an emergency. (\$1.00).

**WHEREAS,** the Underground Wire and Cable UTC will provide for the purchase of supplies necessary for the Division's underground electrical distribution system; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on May 26, 2022 and selected the overall lowest, responsive, responsible and best bidder; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities in that it is necessary to authorize the Finance and Management Director to immediately enter into a Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Underground Wire and Cable, to ensure supplies necessary for the electrical distribution system, 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 enter into the following contract for the option to purchase Underground Wire and Cable in accordance with Request for Quotation RFQ021751 for a term of approximately two (2) years, expiring May 31, 2024, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year, as follows:

Loeb Electric Company, All Items, \$1.00

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$1.00 is hereby authorized from General Budget Reservation BRPO002025 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.