

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 Powdered Activated Carbon with CarbPure Technologies, Llc. The Division of Water is the sole user for this material, used as a taste and odor control agent for potable water at two (2) City of Columbus Water Plants. The term of the proposed option contract would be approximately one (1) year, expiring March 31, 2024, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year. The Purchasing Office opened formal bids on December 22, 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. RFQ023612). Two (2) bids were received. Extensive laboratory testing is conducted on samples of material bid to determine its' effective value. This was bid as a three year contract with firm pricing requested for all three years. Neither vendor was willing to bid a firm price for years 2 and 3.

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

CarbPure Technologies LLC, CC# 018477 expires 12/12/24, Items 1 and 4 only, \$1.00 Total Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$1,550,000, Division of Water, the sole user

Emergency Designation: The Finance and Management Department respectfully requests this legislation to be considered an emergency ordinance to maintain a constant supply of this vital material.

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 Powdered Activated Carbon with CarbPure Technologies, Llc.; to authorize the expenditure of \$1.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$1.00).

**WHEREAS**, the Powdered Activated Carbon will provide for the purchase of materials used to control taste and odor of potable water; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Purchasing Office advertised and solicited formal bids on December 22, 2022 and selected the overall lowest, responsible and best bidder; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Finance and Management Director to enter into a Universal Term Contract for the option to purchase Powdered Activated Carbon because DPU requires a reliable source of this material, 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 Powdered Activated Carbon in accordance with Request for Quotation RFQ023612 for a term of approximately one (1) year, expiring March 31, 2024, with the option to renew for one (1) additional year, as follows:

CarbPure Technologies Llc, Items 1 and 4 only, \$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