



## Legislation Text

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**STRATEGIC PRIORITY:** Public Safety  
**AGENDA DATE:** October 28, 2020  
**COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):** All  
**DEPARTMENT:** Fire-Rescue Department  
**EXECUTIVE:** Jon Fortune

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### **SUBJECT**

Authorize the purchase of ultraviolet disinfectant lighting systems for the Fire Rescue Department with Safeware, Inc. through the Omnia Partners cooperative purchasing agreement - Not to exceed \$296,372.00 - Financing: U.S. Department of Treasury - Coronavirus Relief Fund

### **BACKGROUND**

On March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was signed into law to provide swift and direct economic assistance to individuals, businesses, and governmental agencies in order to mitigate the impact of the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 pandemic (COVID-19). With a total cost of \$2.2 trillion, the CARES Act is the largest economic relief bill in United States history, and it funds a wide range of programs designed to limit the economic fallout associated with stay-at-home and social distancing orders throughout the nation.

The CARES Act established the \$150 billion Coronavirus Relief Fund to provide payments to state, local, and tribal governments to mitigate the impact of responding to COVID-19. These funds are distributed by population, and cities and counties with a population over 500,000 are eligible to receive payments directly from the Treasury Department. The City of Dallas has received funds from the Treasury Department for all allowable expenses that includes (1) those incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); (2) those not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 for the government; and (3) those incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020.

The City of Dallas will use CARES Act Fund to purchase ultra-violet disinfectant lighting systems for use in Dallas Fire-Rescue 72 ambulances. These purchases will help to limit the spread of bacteria and viruses such as COVID-19 in City facilities, and from person-to-person contact for first responders.

**PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)**

On April 22, 2020, City Council authorized the City Manager to execute any and all grant agreements necessary to receive COVID-19 funding from federal and state sources by Resolution No. 20-0644.

City Council was briefed on the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act funds to facilitate assistance to eligible communities and households economically impacted by COVID-19 on June 17, 2020.

**FISCAL INFORMATION**

Fund	FY 2021	FY 2022	Future Years
U.S. Department of Treasury - Coronavirus Relief Fund	\$296,372.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

**M/WBE INFORMATION**

In accordance with the City’s Business Inclusion and Development Policy adopted on September 23, 2020, by Resolution No. 20-1430, as amended, the M/WBE participation on this contract is as follows:

Contract Amount	Category	M/WBE Goal	M/WBE %	M/WBE \$
\$296,372.00	CO-OP	N/A	N/A	N/A
• The Business Inclusion and Development Plan does not apply to Cooperative Purchasing Agreements (CO-OPs).				
• <a href="#">Safeware, Inc. - Non-Local; Workforce - 0.00% Local</a>				

**PROCUREMENT INFORMATION**

Method of Evaluation for Award Type:

Cooperative Purchasing Agreement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cooperative Purchasing Agreements enable the City to associate with State agencies, other local governments, or local cooperative organizations comprised of other state and local governments, to leverage market buying power and enable the City to purchase goods or services at lower prices</li><li>• Cooperative Purchasing is an alternative method of meeting the requirements for competitive bidding or competitive sealed proposals, not an exception from that requirement</li></ul>
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**OWNER**

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