



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Government Performance and Financial Management
AGENDA DATE: November 10, 2021
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All
DEPARTMENT: Office of Procurement Services
EXECUTIVE: Elizabeth Reich

SUBJECT

Authorize **(1)** a four-year cooperative purchasing agreement for citywide cybersecurity awareness training and support services for the Department of Information and Technology Services with Virtuo Group Corporation through the Department of Information Resources cooperative agreement in the estimated amount of \$453,134.47; and **(2)** the ratification of \$110,229.32 for the Department of Information and Technology Services to pay outstanding invoices for cybersecurity awareness training and support services - Total amount of \$563,363.79 - Financing: Data Services Fund (subject to annual appropriations)

BACKGROUND

This action does not encumber funds; the purpose of a cooperative purchasing agreement is to establish firm pricing for services, for a specific term, which are ordered on an as needed basis according to annual budgetary appropriations. The estimated amount is intended as guidance rather than a cap on spending under the agreement, so that actual need combined with the amount budgeted will determine the amount spent under this agreement

This cooperative purchasing agreement will provide for citywide cybersecurity awareness training and support services for the Department of Information and Technology Services. Cybersecurity awareness training is required in accordance with House Bill 3834, which requires state and local government employees to complete cybersecurity training certified by the Department of Information Resources. In addition to cybersecurity training, end-users will have access to an extensive library of content for cybersecurity training modules. The cybersecurity awareness training will provide 13,625 licenses citywide to all employees annually.

The Department of Information Resources cooperative agreement is authorized by Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code and Subchapter F, Chapter 271, Texas Local Government Code. Section 271.102 of the Texas Local Government Code which authorizes a local government to participate in a Cooperative Purchasing Program with another local government or a local cooperative organization.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

This item has no prior action.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Fund	FY 2022	FY 2023	Future Years
Data Services Fund	\$220,458.64	\$113,249.30	\$229,655.85

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	Procurement Category	M/WBE Goal	M/WBE %	M/WBE \$
\$563,363.79	Other Services	N/A	N/A	N/A
• The Business Inclusion and Development Policy does not apply to Other Service contracts.				
• Virtuo Group Corporation - Non-local; Workforce - 0.00% Local				

PROCUREMENT INFORMATION

Method of Evaluation for Award Type:

Cooperative Purchasing Agreement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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• The cooperative purchasing agreement is an alternative method of meeting the requirements for competitive bidding or competitive sealed proposals, not an exception from that requirement
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