

Management Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of October 28, 2020

Subject: Annual Sole Source Hardware/Software Maintenance Services

Proposed Action

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Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

Theresa Nistler, Assistant Director of IS, Finance and Budget presented Business item 2020-283. Council member Lee asked if any of the vendors on the list were MCUB. Theresa Nistler responded that none were.

It was moved by Gonzalez and seconded by Lee, Consent to Council

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For the Metropolitan Council meeting of November 4, 2020

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District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures – Procurement of Goods and Services over \$500,000.

Staff Prepared/Presented: Theresa Nistler, Assistant Director, IS Finance and Budget, 651-602-1504

Division/Department: RA - Information Services

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Background

Computer hardware and software purchased by the Council require ongoing maintenance, hosted services and support. Competitive procurements for the hardware and software have already been completed; this item addresses ongoing maintenance and support services resulting from these competitive procurements.

Council Procurement Procedure 10.4.1 addresses Sole Source procurements and provides the following guidance: “Sole source procurement of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) repairs, parts, equipment and systems, software maintenance and support, or other services that are required on a continuous basis may be authorized on an ongoing basis.”

The 2021 Information Services Sole Source Vendor list was thoroughly reviewed by the Procurement staff for accuracy and reasonableness.

Rationale

It is Council practice to annually update the list of vendors and request approval to authorize the vendor payments throughout the subsequent year. This allows for ongoing authorization, transparency, and efficient administration.

Thrive Lens Analysis

Maintenance services for software and hardware are needed to address the reliability, resilience, security and cost-effectiveness of the Council’s technology systems which support the Thrive outcomes of stewardship and sustainability. By integrating maintenance across the Council, we are able to efficiently track efforts, which supports the Thrive accountability principle.

Funding

Funding for these software and hardware services is included in the Council’s operating budget.

Known Support / Opposition

Authorization for IS Sole Source purchases has been requested and approved annually. This request provides for the authorization of an updated list of Information Services Sole Source vendors for 2021.

Division	Vendor	Product	Amount
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HRA			
CD	MRI	HRA software used for Section 8 Housing	75,000
CD	Qualtrics LLC	Data collection Software	12,000
CD	Regional Economic Models	Support renewal for Policy Insight modeling software	9,000
		Total for Community Development	96,000
ENTERPRISE			
Enterprise	Allstream	Phones - 90% discount off list	100,000
Enterprise	Articulate	Software to build curriculum for online training courses	25,000
Enterprise	Benefit Focus	Hosted Services used by HR for Employee Benefits	230,000
Enterprise	Dulles Technology Partners	Hosted Service for grant management software	25,000
Enterprise	Freedom US acquisition corp	JAWS - provides text-based output of the JAWS screen reader.	10,600
Enterprise	Gartner	Consulting service agreement for technology research and advice to assist Information Services make value driven purchases.	120,000
Enterprise	Granicus/GovDelivery	Hosted service for bulk e-mail and list management	90,000
Enterprise	Granicus	Web streaming for Council Meetings - hardware and software	28,000
Enterprise	Information Systems Corp	AppXtender - document management software	133,000
Enterprise	ManageEngine	ManageEngine ADManager Plus Professional	10,600
Enterprise	Microsoft	Premier support	165,000

Enterprise	Ncompass Technologies	GIS: street centerlines and landmarks data	75,000
Enterprise	NeoGov	Hosted service for HR recruiting, applicant tracking, onboarding and performance management.	96,000
Enterprise	NorthPoint Geographic Services	GIS: MetroGIS regional GIS projects	24,000
Enterprise	RTVision	Real estate software	11,000
Enterprise	SAP America	Business intelligence software	283,400
Enterprise	Skillsoft	Sumtotal - LearnCenter	71,000
Enterprise	Sympro	Treasury Software to track journal Entries	15,000
Enterprise	Tripwire	Security software for credit card environment	27,000
Enterprise	Veracode	Service that secures web, mobile and third-party enterprise applications	18,000
Enterprise	Veritas	Hosted service for legal litigation hold service	11,000
Enterprise	Vivid	Occupational Health and Safety eLearning courses & curriculum	17,300
		Total for Enterprise	1,585,900
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES			
ES	Enfotech	Industrial waste software	80,000
ES	GS Systems	WonderWare - industrial control system software	250,000
ES	Kisters North America	Wiski - Data management and analytics for water professionals	24,000
ES	OpenText	Business intelligence software	34,370
ES	Power/mation	Cimplicity - industrial control software for interceptors	40,000
ES	PTC / Oberon	Arbortext. Development and technical authoring for operations documents	50,000

ES	QuestionMark	Enterprise Participant Plan for up to 1,000 participants	7,000
ES	System Improvements, Inc.	Taproot - Root cause analysis application	5,700
ES	Thermo Fisher Scientific	SampleManager - laboratory information management system	71,000
ES	Titania	Interface with Arbortext	120,000
		Total for Environmental Services	682,070
METRO TRANSIT AND MTS			
MT	Acepela	Text-to-Voice software used for announcement system on bus	10,000
MT	ACT Traffic Solutions	EMTRAC - Software Maintenance for Signal Priority System	180,000
MT	Noregon/Allison Transmission	Diagnostic software for Allison Transmissions	42,000
MT	Apollo	DVR system to record videos on buses and LRT vehicles	20,300
MT	Cummins	Diagnostic software for bus operations	25,000
MT	Egan/ACT	Real-Time Sign System	55,000
MT	Fleetwatch	Fuel and fluid management system for bus operations	68,000
MTPD	GTEL	Tracker (3-year renewal)	70,000
MT	GIRO/HASTUS	Scheduling and garage operations	321,000
MT	Hitachi	Hitachi Camera and Arvio software support.	30,000
MT	Init Innovations	Annual ridership data input to the National Transit Database	18,000
MT	LexisNexis - Coplogic	Tied to LOGIS	22,000
MT	LETG/Zeurcher	Police Information Management System maintenance	20,000
MT	LOGIS	Local Government Information System	425,000

MT	Meritor Wabco	ToolBox Software - bus brake systems	13,000
MT	Milestone	Recording system - Video recording software on 5 camera trailers	20,000
MT	Minneapolis Finance Dept	Workforce Director - Payroll and shift scheduling for Police Dept	16,000
MTS	Motorola	Dispatch consoles - extended service agreement	36,333
MT/MTS	Northland Business Systems	Verint AudioLog System - phone, radio and rail recording system	95,000
MT	PCS Mobile	Squad camera recording system	11,000
MT	QuestionMark	SSP Perception Software Mechanics Certification	9,000
MT	Rockwell Collins/ARINC	Industrial control system software for the Blue and Green lines	275,000
MT	Safe Net	Database Connector License	10,000
MT	SAP (Sybase)	Adaptive Server, ASE, Power Builder, etc.	96,000
MT	Smart Software	Inventory Optimization Software	42,000
MT	Strategic Mapping	NexTrip Mobile CIS System	25,000
MT	Tracker Products	Property/Evidence software (Additional licenses were purchased)	43,000
MTS	Trapeze	Software to book and schedule trips and dispatch buses in real time	640,000
MT	Verint	Video recording for buses trains, platforms and park and rides	85,000
MT	XoRail	Talon Configuration management Software	20,000
MT	Workfront	Project management application for the marketing department	86,000
MT	ZF Testman	Diagnostic Software	35,000
		Total for Metro Transit and MTS	2,863,633
PROJECT OFFICES			
SPO	Bentley Systems	Essential engineering software	20,000

SPO/BPO	DLT Solutions	AutoCAD - engineering software	100,000
SPO	EquipmentWatch	Estimators Package - 3-year contract	10,000
SPO	On-Center	On Screen Take Off - Construction cost estimating software	15,000
SPO	Transoft	AutoTurn Pro 3D - engineering software	20,000
SPO/BPO	HCSS	Bidding and estimating engineering application	15,000
SPO/BPO	Interactive Design Systems	Bridge design & analysis software	10,000
SPO/BPO	RS Means	Costworks - construction cost estimating software	11,000
		Total for Project Offices	201,000
		Total	5,428,603