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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	52818	Agenda Number	39.
Meeting Date:	December 17, 2015			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with the FILM SOCIETY OF AUSTIN, INC. DBA AUSTIN FILM SOCIETY for capital expenditures in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding in the amount of \$300,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Austin Cable Access Fund through the Telecommunications and Regulatory Affairs Department.				
Fiscal Note				
There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.				
Purchasing Language:	Sole Source			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Jonathan Dalchau, Senior Buyer, 512-974-2938			
Boards and Commission Action:				
Related Items:				
MBE / WBE:	This contract is exempt from City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.			

Additional Backup Information

The contract establishes an agreement with the Austin Film Society (AFS) to purchase video, audio, network, computers, software and other equipment to meet its obligations to manage the City's public access community television facility located at 1143 Northwestern Avenue including programming channels 10, 11, and 16 carried by local cable providers. The equipment will be used to train citizens and non-profit organizations to produce local interest and content video programming to be carried on the three public access channels and to meet the current and anticipated needs of the Austin community media center.

All funds for this contract are paid to the City by its four video service providers as required by state law with the regulatory restriction that the funds can only be used for capital expenses related to Austin's public, educational, and government access channels. The resulting procurements will be on a cost reimbursement basis and required to

comply with all federal, state and local regulations, and City procurement policy and procedures. All items purchased under this contract will be utilized by AFS, but remain the property of the City.

The contract will allow AFS to obtain the latest hardware, software and network technology necessary to reduce operational costs and improve the services provided to the community.