

# Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	72909	Agenda Number	39.
Meeting Date:	August 17, 2017				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

## Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a 12-month contract with ACCENTURE LLP, to provide executive strategic planning services, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$214,800.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget of the Financial Services Department.

#### Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.				
Purchasing Language:	Professional Services			
Prior Council Action:				
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Boards and Commission Action:				
Related Items:				
MBE / WBE:	This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the services required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.			

#### Additional Backup Information

The contract provides consulting services for the development and management of an executive strategic plan that aligns the Council's priorities with the City's management practices. Utilizing an adaptive strategic management framework, the contractor will work with the City to develop the strategic plan and integrate the plan into the City's organizational processes and culture.

The City launched a citywide strategic planning process in December 2016 in partnership with Accenture LLP (Accenture). Since December, Accenture has provided significant assistance with the development and facilitation of extensive fact gathering through research, interviews, and employee focus groups, two Council/Executive strategic planning workshops, a series of employee workshops to develop foundational information for each strategic outcome, and overall support and collaboration that ultimately led to the identification of six strategic outcomes and various

indicators of success for each. The six strategic outcomes identified are: Economic Opportunity and Affordability, Mobility, Health, Safety, Culture and Learning, and Government that Works.

The contract amount is based upon a monthly-fixed fee price of \$26,850. Approving the contract will allow for Accenture to fully develop the strategic plan and other operational approaches to ensure successful implementation of the plan. If the City is unable to enter into a contract, the extent to which Council's strategic outcomes can be integrated into the City's organizational processes will be delayed and/or diminished.