



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-3301, **Agenda Item #:** 36.

11/14/2019

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract with Teleflex, LLC, to provide the EZ-IO® intraosseous infusion systems and supplies, for a term of five years in an amount not to exceed \$871,000.

(Note: Sole source contracts are exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Emergency Medical Services.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$151,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Operating Budget of Emergency Medical Services. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

Sole Source.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for the purchase of the EZ-IO® intraosseous infusion systems and supplies. Each ambulance in the Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Service is currently equipped with this system that allows an intraosseous needle to be drilled into the interior of a patient's bone to deliver fluids and medications to the central circulatory system. This system is used to obtain emergency vascular access for patients when peripheral intravenous access is difficult or impossible.

This system consists of a proprietary patented needle and power driver technology. There are no other battery-powered intraosseous products currently available in the marketplace. The EZ-IO® medical supplies are approved by the Federal Drug Administration and prescribed for use by Emergency Medical Service providers under the practicing medical license of the Office of the Medical Director. Teleflex is the sole manufacturer and distributor of the EZ-IO® intraosseous infusion system in the United States. All field staff are trained on this model and replacement equipment and supplies must be compatible with the existing stock to ensure the interoperability and a uniform standard of training and practice.

The contract will replace an existing contract which expires on November 30, 2019. The requested

authorization amount is based on historical spend and forecasting estimates for future needs.