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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-3642, Agenda Item #: 17.

1/18/2024

Posting Language

Authorize an amendment to a contract for continued security subscription and maintenance software with SHI-Government Solutions Inc. d/b/a SHI, to increase the amount by \$600,000 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$736,000.

[Note: This contract was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). For the services required for this contract, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established].

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s)

Information Security Office.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$250,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating Budget of the Information Security Office.

Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

Contract Amendment.

For More Information:

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to the Financial Services Department - Central Procurement at: FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov or 512-974-2500.

Additional Backup Information:

The proposed amendment will provide continued and expanded use of the Tenable Security Center subscription and maintenance. The software protects the City's computer systems by finding and repairing weak spots in the system that hackers could potentially use to cause harm. Without it, the City could be unaware of potential threats, putting systems and data at risk. This tool is important for the smooth operation of City services and the protection of information.

The Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative is a cooperative purchasing association recognized under Texas procurement statutes. Cooperative associations, themselves or using a lead government, competitively solicit and award contracts that are eligible for use by other qualified state and local governments. Due to their substantial volumes, larger than any one government could achieve independently, cooperative contracts routinely include superior terms, conditions, and pricing. Use of cooperative contracts also results in lower administrative costs and time savings.

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Contract Term	Length of Term	Current Contract Authorization	Requested Additional Authorization	Revised Total Authorization
Initial Term	3 years	\$136,000		\$136,000
Proposed Amendmen	t	\$600,000	\$600,000	
Total	3 years	\$136,000	\$600,000	\$736,000

Note: Contract Authorization amounts are based on the City's estimated annual usage.