



# City of Austin

## Recommendation for Action

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**File #: 24-4091, Agenda Item #: 16.**

**3/21/2024**

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to a contract for continued software maintenance and support services with Freeit Data Solutions, Inc., to increase the amount by \$1,640,000 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$1,800,000.

[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)**

Communications and Technology Management.

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding in the amount of \$700,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating Budget of Communications and Technology Management.

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](mailto:FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov) or 512-974-2500.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

This amendment is for continued remote access and virtualization software maintenance and support. This software provides essential services to City workspaces such as secure access to virtual applications, access to cloud and data centers, data security, access to business resources, protection from disruptions, and protection of continuity of operations. These services allow the City to perform its essential functions more efficiently and securely.

The State of 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.

