

# Mayor and Council Communication

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**M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 23-0620

**LOG NAME:** 13P COOP BB695-23 TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYSTEMS & SAFE BARRIER TPW CB

**SUBJECT**

(ALL) Authorize Execution of an Agreement with Paradigm Traffic Systems, Inc., Using BuyBoard Cooperative Contract No. 695-23 for Traffic Signal Systems and Safety Barrier Products for an Annual Amount Up to \$801,000.00 for the Initial Term and Authorize Two, One-Year Renewal Options in the Amount of \$1,001,250.00 for the First Renewal and \$1,251,563.00 for the Second Renewal for the Transportation and Public Works Department

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of an agreement with Paradigm Traffic Systems, Inc., using BuyBoard Cooperative Contract No. 695-23 for Traffic Signal Systems and Safety Barrier Products for an annual amount up to \$801,000.00 for the initial term and authorize two, one-year renewal options in the amount of \$1,001,250.00 for the first renewal and \$1,251,563.00 for the second renewal for the Transportation and Public Works Department.

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**DISCUSSION:**

The Transportation and Public Works Department (TPW) approached the Purchasing Division to finalize an annual agreement with Paradigm Traffic Systems, Inc. under BuyBoard 695-23 Traffic Signal Systems and Safety Barrier Products on an as-needed basis. This Cooperative Agreement has a term through March 31, 2024. City of Fort Worth departments will use the agreement with Paradigm Traffic Systems, Inc. for the purchase of traffic signal systems and safety barrier products and other similar equipment for City projects.

The annual amounts allowed under this agreement will be up to \$801,000.00 for the initial term, \$1,001,250.00 for the first renewal, and \$1,251,563.00 for the second renewal, however the actual amount used will be based on the need of the department and the available budget.

State law provides that a local government purchasing an item under a cooperative purchase agreement satisfies any state law requiring that the local government seek competitive bids for the purchase of the item. BuyBoard contracts are competitively bid to increase and simplify the purchasing power of government entities across the State of Texas.

Funding is budgeted in the TPW Dept Highway & Streets Department's General Capital Projects Fund for the purpose of funding the FY 23 PayGo MMA & Steel Poles project, as appropriated.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE ORDERS - In addition, an administrative change order or increase may be made by the City Manager up to the amount allowed by relevant law and the Fort Worth City Code and does not require specific City Council approval.

RENEWAL OPTIONS – The Agreement may be renewed in accordance with the terms and conditions of BuyBoard Contract No. 695-23, which has an initial term through March 31, 2024, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods through March 31, 2026.

A M/WBE goal is not assigned when purchasing from an approved purchasing cooperative or public entity.

This project will serve ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

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**FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as previously appropriated, in the General Capital Projects Fund for the FY 23 PayGo MMA & Steel Poles project to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the agreement. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Transportation and Public Works Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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