



**CITY OF FORT WORTH  
CHAPTER 252 EXEMPTION FORM**

Instructions: Fill out the entire form with detailed information. Once you have completed this form, provide it to the Purchasing attorney for review. The attorney will review the information you have provided to determine whether an exemption to Chapter 252's bidding requirements is defensible. If you are printing this form to provide to Legal, please do not provide the Primer portion. Failure to provide sufficient information may result in follow up questions and cause a delay in the attorney's determination.

**Section 1: General Information**

Requesting Department: Water Department

Name of Contract Manager: Jeff Ryan

Department's Attorney: Paris Taylor

Item or Service sought: Geonexus Records Synchronization Software (GeoNexus Integration Platform) and Access (GeoWorx Office) Subscriptions including Professional Services

Goods:

Service:

Anticipated Amount: \$166,699.92

Vendor: Geonexus Technologies

Current/Prior Agreement for item/service: Yes  No

CSC or Purchase Order #: 46814

Amount: \$1,237,884.08

Projected M&C Date: [INSERT DATE OR N/A]

How will this item or service be used? The subscriptions and records synchronization services are used to ensure synchrony between asset records in geographic information systems (GIS) and the maintenance records within the Water Utility's Maximo work order system. These services have been provided under prior contracts for the Maximo program approved under M&C C-27349 which are set to expire in 2023. These services include records synchronization subscriptions, software/cloud frontend user access and server subscriptions, and work order/asset

management database hosting. This agreement will allow the Utility to continue utilizing current GIS-to-database synchronization workflows as well as all integrated mapping application access and licensing.

Has your department started a requisition or otherwise contacted the Purchasing Division related to obtaining this good/service?      Yes                          No   

If yes, please provide requisition number or brief explanation of contact with Purchasing Division: [DETAILED DESCRIPTION]

**Section 2: Claimed Exemption and Justification (Other than sole source)**

NOTE - For a claimed sole-source exemption, only complete Section 3.

Please indicate the non-sole-source exemption you believe applies to the purchase and provide information to support its applicability. Please refer to the Exemption Primer for detailed information about common exemptions:

- A procurement necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the City of Fort Worth’s residents;
- A procurement necessary because of unforeseen damage to public machinery, equipment, or other property;
- A procurement for personal, professional, or planning services;
- A procurement for work that is performed and paid for by the day as the work progresses;
- A purchase of land or a right-of-way;
- Paving drainage, street widening, and other public improvements, or related matters, if at least one-third of the cost is to be paid by or through special assessments levied on property that will benefit from the improvements;
- A public improvement project, already in progress, authorized by the voters of the municipality, for which there is a deficiency of funds for completing the project in accordance with the plans and purposes authorized by the voters;
- A payment under a contract by which a developer participates in the construction of a public improvement as provided by Subchapter C, Chapter 212;
- Personal property sold:
  - at an auction by a state licensed auctioneer;

- at a going out of business sale held in compliance with Subchapter F, Chapter 17, Business & Commerce Code;
- by a political subdivision of this state, a state agency of this state, or an entity of the federal government; or
- under an interlocal contract for cooperative purchasing administered by a regional planning commission established under Chapter 391;

Services performed by blind or severely disabled persons;

Goods purchased by a municipality for subsequent retail sale by the municipality;

Electricity; or

Advertising, other than legal notices.

Please provide details and facts to explain why you believe the exemption applies to the purchase. You may also attach documentation to this form. [INSERT DETAILED EXPLANATION AS TO HOW/WHY CLAIMED EXCEPTION APPLIES TO THIS PURCHASE]

### **Section 3: Claimed Sole-Source Exemption and Justification**

NOTE - For any non-sole-source exemption, complete Section 2.

Please indicate the sole-source exemption you believe applies to the purchase and provide information to support its applicability. Please refer to the Exemption Primer for detailed information about common exemptions

- \*A procurement of items that are available from only one source, including:
- items that are available from only one source because of patents, copyrights, secret processes, or natural monopolies;
  - films, manuscripts, or books;
  - gas, water, and other utility services;
  - captive replacement parts or components for equipment;
  - books, papers, and other library materials for a public library that are available only from the persons holding exclusive distribution rights to the materials; and
  - management services provided by a nonprofit organization to a municipal museum, park, zoo, or other facility to which the organization has provided significant financial or other benefits;

How did you determine that the item or service is only available from one source?

Geonexus Technologies, LLC. is the sole source provider for the licensing of the synchronization software GeoWorx Sync, associated user access integrations with existing web-based GIS mapping applications GeoWorx Office, and all professional services associated with their implementation, configuration, and maintenance.

Attach screenshots and provide an explanation of any independent research you conducted, through internet searches, searching cooperatives, or discussions with others knowledgeable on the subject matter that corroborate that the item is available only from a single source.

Geonexus Techonologies provides GeoWorx Sync database synchronization and GeoWorx Office GIS-to-Maximo web application which are proprietary to Geonexus Technologies.

Did you attach a sole source justification letter?  Yes  No

Describe the uniqueness of the item or service (e.g. compatibility or patent issues, etc.).  
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#### **Section 4: Attorney Determination**

With the facts provided by the department, is the use of the claimed exemption defensible if the City were to be challenged on this purchase?  Yes  No.

Was there anything attached to this form that was relied on in making this determination?  Yes  No.

If yes, please explain: The Department attached a sole source letter.

Was there anything not included on this form or attached hereto that was relied on in making this determination?  Yes  No.

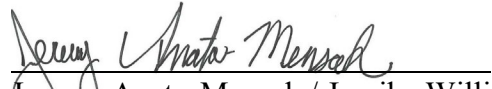
If yes, please explain: N/A

Will the standard terms and conditions apply?  Yes  No.

Will the contract require special terms?  Yes  No.

Will the contract require review by the department attorney?  Yes  No.

**Approved By:**

  
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Jeremy Anato-Mensah / Jessika Williams  
Assistant City Attorney

Date: 1/30/2023

January 25, 2023

City of Fort Worth Water  
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Fort Worth, TX 76102

**SUBJECT: SOLE SOURCE**

To Whom it May Concern:


Geonexus Technologies, L.L.C. (“Geonexus”) is the sole source of complete maintenance and support services of its Geonexus products (listed below) to include software updates, bug fixes, and technical support services.

Product	Description
Geonexus Integration Platform - Core	The Geonexus Platform addresses data integration, application integration, and data quality, and includes a library of prepackaged connectors to leading enterprise systems for true “Plug-and-Play” integration. The software communicates with edge systems via vendor-supported Application Programming Interfaces (APIs).
Geonexus Integration Platform – Esri Connector	Prepackaged connector to support integration with Esri ArcGIS.
Geonexus Integration Platform – Maximo Connector	Prepackaged connector to support integration with IBM Maximo.
GeoWorx Sync	GeoWorx Sync is an out-of-the-box solution that synchronizes data between Oracle WAM and an Esri ArcGIS geodatabase in a loosely coupled model.
GeoWorx Office	GeoWorx Office is an insertable widget available through the Esri® ArcGIS Online



	platform. Using existing Esri map visualization and geoprocessing capabilities, GeoWorx Office provides a unified operating picture of infrastructure assets/features, service requests and work orders throughout the enterprise.
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Sincerely,



William "Skip" Heise

President