

# Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 13P BULK SIGNS TPW ADK

## **SUBJECT**

(ALL) Authorize Execution of an Agreement with Traffic and Parking Control Co, Inc. dba TAPCO, Using Omnia Partners Cooperative Purchasing Agreement 2020-200 to Purchase Signs in an Annual Amount Up to \$507,316.42 and Authorize Five Annual Renewal Options

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of an agreement with Traffic and Parking Control Co, Inc. dba TAPCO, using Omnia Partners Cooperative Purchasing Agreement 2020-200 to purchase signs in an annual amount up to \$507,316.42 and authorize five annual renewal options.

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## **DISCUSSION:**

The Transportation and Public Works Department (TPW) initiated a requisition for an agreement to purchase pre-made signs, such as regulatory, safety, warning, and street name signs. The City of Fort Worth Signs and Markings Division of TPW maintains 127,000 signs throughout the City of Fort Worth along highways, arterial, and residential streets. The Signs and Markings Division receives approximately 2,500 requests for service including over 600 critical sign knockdowns and approximately 300 traffic engineering work orders for installing pre-made signs. Some examples of these pre-made signs are regulatory, safety, warning, and street names.

Staff recommends awarding an agreement up to \$507,316.42 to Traffic and Parking Control Co, Inc., (TAPCO), using the Omnia Partners Cooperative Purchasing Agreement 2020-200. No guarantee was made that a specific amount of services would be purchased. Staff reviewed the pricing and found it to be fair and reasonable.

State law provides that a local government purchasing items under a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement satisfies state laws requiring that the local government seek competitive bids for the purchase of items. The Omnia Partners Cooperative Purchasing Contract 2020-200 has been competitively bid to increase the purchasing power of government entities and simplify the process.

M/WBE OFFICE - An MBE/SBE goal is not assigned when purchasing from an approved purchasing cooperative or public entity.

AGREEMENT TERMS - The Omnia Partners contract 2020-200 will expire on February 28, 2025, with options to renew for five additional one-year terms through February 28, 2030.

Upon City Council approval, this agreement shall begin upon execution of the agreement.

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## **FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital/operating budget, as previously appropriated, in the General Fund and General Capital Projects Fund for the FY 21 PAYG Vision Zero Signs and FY21 PAYG NS-VUEWorks/Resp projects to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of an 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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