City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 03/11/25 **M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 25-0202

LOG NAME: 13PCOOP BB 756-24 PLUMBING SUPPLIES AND EQUIP ML CITY

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Non-Exclusive Agreements with Identified Vendors Using BuyBoard Cooperative Agreement 756-24 for Plumbing Supplies, Materials, and Equipment for a Combined Annual Amount Up to \$300,000.00 and Authorize Two One-Year Renewal Options for the Same Annual Amount for All City Departments

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize non-exclusive agreements with Ferguson Enterprises, LLC, John W. Gasparini, Inc dba Mark's Plumbing Parts, North Texas Winwater Co., and Winston Water Cooler, LTD. using BuyBoard Cooperative Agreement 756-24 for plumbing suppliers, materials, and equipment for a combined annual amount up to \$300,000.00 and authorize two one-year renewal options for the same annual amount for all City Departments.

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize non-exclusive agreements that will be used by all City Departments to purchase plumbing supplies, materials, and equipment to update and maintain City-owned properties. Multiple vendors will increase options and provide the City with the ability to expedite plumbing repairs. Agreements will be entered into with Ferguson Enterprises, LLC, John W. Gasparini, Inc dba Mark's Plumbing Parts, North Texas Winwater Co., and Winston Water Cooler, LTD. using BuyBoard Cooperative Agreement 756-24.

Staff reviewed the pricing under BuyBoard Cooperative Contract 756-24 and determined the pricing to be fair and reasonable. BuyBoard Cooperative Contract 756-24 was published on January 24, 2024, and January 31, 2024. Responses were opened on July 18, 2024. All listed cooperative contracts offer fixed discounts.

The maximum combined annual amount allowed under the agreements citywide will be \$300,000.00. However, the actual amount used will be based on needs of the department and available budget. Funding is budgeted in the various accounts within the participating departments operating budgets, as appropriated.

COOPERATIVE PURCHASE: 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 purchase of the item. BuyBoard contracts are competitively bid to increase and simplify the purchasing power of government entities across the State of Texas.

TERM: The initial term of the agreements will begin upon execution and expire November 30, 2025 to correspond with the terms of the cooperative contract. These agreements may be renewed for up to two additional one-year terms for the same annual amount at the City's option.

BUSINESS EQUITY: A business equity goal is not assigned when purchasing from an approved purchasing cooperative or public entity.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE ORDER: 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 as long as sufficient funds have been appropriated.

This project will serve ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current operating budget, as previously appropriated, in the participating departments' Operating Funds to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the agreements. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the participating departments have the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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