

City Council Policy/Business/Consent Agenda Q&A's
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<u>Submitted By:</u>	<u>Agenda Item # and Questions</u>	<u>Answers/Considerations</u>
Consent Items		
Watlington	<p>10. Audio Visual Equipment and Installation for Fire Training Academy</p> <p>Regarding "Sole Source Exemption" for Charlotte Business INclusion exclusion.</p> <p>Would like to know justification for sole source, if there are other businesses who provide this service?"</p>	<p>If a contract falls under the state statute as a sole source contract, then CBI is unable to set a goal on that contract.</p> <p>The requested equipment upgrade and installation is a large, two-story commercial building that includes a complex virtual simulation lab and the back-up Emergency Operations Center. The simulation lab and the Emergency Operations Center are tied in with most of the classrooms on the second floor (7-10 classrooms) for breakout room capabilities. With this being the case, equipment compatibility is a critical issue, as well as vendor/contractor knowledge of the existing integrations and requirements.</p> <p>Sole source approval was obtained from Procurement on 02-23-2024.</p>
Watlington	<p>11. Traffic Signals and Hardware</p> <p>No MWSBE's available, meaning none in existence or none registered with the city?</p>	<p>None registered as MWSBEs with the city.</p>
Watlington	<p>12. Construct Matheson Avenue Bridge Streetscape Project</p> <p>Why is this not CMAR?</p>	<p>Staff is evaluating all projects for possible alternative delivery methods. Since discussions with City Council in December about using alternative delivery methods more frequently, staff has focused on converting three vertical projects (1 Police Station and 2 Firehouses) to Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR).</p> <p>Specific to this project, although the bid was not released until February, the bid phase for the Matheson Avenue Streetscape Project started in November 2023. Converting this project to a CMAR this late in the life of the project would create significant schedule delays. The city is working diligently toward meeting the community's expectations to deliver the project on the schedule.</p>