

## Legislation Text

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### Citywide Safety Shoes Contract

#### **Action:**

- A. Approve the purchase of safety shoes from a cooperative purchasing contract as authorized by G.S. 143-129(e)(3),**
- B. Approve a unit price contract with Cintas Corporation for the purchase of safety shoes for a term of one year under U. S. Communities contract 12-JLH-011, and**
- C. Authorize the City Manager to extend the contract for additional one-year terms as long as the cooperative contract is in effect, at prices and terms that are the same or more favorable than those offered under the cooperative contract.**

#### **Staff Resource(s):**

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#### **Cooperative Purchasing Exemption**

NC S.L. 2001-328, effective January 1, 2002, authorizes competitive group purchasing.

#### **Explanation**

- City employees in various departments are required to wear safety shoes to comply with OSHA regulations and City safety guidelines.
- A cooperative purchasing agreement results from the consolidation and competitive solicitation of multiple public agency requirements. By aggregating common needs all agencies are able to leverage economies of scale, such as volume discounts, improved terms and conditions, reduced administrative costs, and access to professional and technical expertise that can be utilized on a local, regional, and national level.
- City Council approved a cooperative contract with W. W. Grainger through National IPA for Maintenance, Repair, and Operating Supplies on March 24, 2014, that includes safety shoes, and will be used in addition to this contract to fulfill all of the City's safety shoe needs.
- The companies will be paid the unit prices set forth in the contract, copies of which are available upon request.
- Annual combined expenditures throughout the City are estimated to be \$200,000.

#### **Charlotte Business INclusion**

These are cooperative purchasing contracts and are exempt (Part A: Appendix 27 of the Charlotte Business INclusion Policy).

#### **Fiscal Note**

Funding: Various Departments' Operating Budgets