

## Legislation Text

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### **Airport Ground Power Unit and Pre-Conditioned Air Unit Parts**

#### **Action:**

- A. Approve the purchase of ground power unit and pre-conditioned air unit parts, as authorized by the sole source exemption of G.S. 143-129(e)(6),**
- B. Approve a unit price contract with ITW GSE, Inc. for the purchase of ground power unit and pre-conditioned air unit parts for the term of three years, and**
- C. Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.**

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

Brent Cagle, Aviation  
Jack Christine, Aviation

#### **Sole Source Exemption**

- G.S. 143-129(e)(6) provides that formal bidding requirements do not apply when:
  - Performance or price competition are not available;
  - A needed product is available from only one source or supply; or
  - Standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration.
- Sole sourcing is necessary for this contract because there is only one supply source.
- The City Council must approve purchases made under the sole source exemption.

#### **Explanation**

- Aviation owns and maintains 89 passenger boarding bridges. The ground power units and pre-conditioned air (PC air) units are integral components of the boarding bridges as they provide regulated power and air conditioning to the aircraft.
- ITW GSE, Inc. is the manufacturer of this specialized airport equipment, and the original equipment manufacturer parts are required to maintain performance standards, standardization, and compatibility with existing equipment.
- This contract will provide ground power unit and PC air unit parts.
- Annual expenditures under the contract are estimated to be \$200,000.
- This activity is occurring on airport property (Council District 3).

#### **Charlotte Business INClusion**

This is a sole source contract and is exempt (Part A: Appendix 1.27 of the Charlotte Business INClusion Policy).

#### **Fiscal Note**

Funding: Aviation Operating Budget