City of Charlotte



Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center 600 East 4th Street Charlotte, NC 28202

Legislation Text

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Airport Passenger Loading Bridge Parts and Equipment

Action:

- A. Approve the purchase of passenger loading bridge parts and equipment, by the sole source exemption,
- B. Approve a contract with JBT Aerotech Corporation for the purchase of passenger loading bridge parts and equipment for an initial 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):

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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.
- City Council approval is required for purchases made under the sole source exception.

Explanation

- The city owns and maintains 89 passenger loading bridges, which include pre-conditioned air systems and ground power units for aircraft.
- The pre-conditioned air system, ground power units, and their related parts are integral components of the loading bridges as they provide regulated air conditioning and power to the aircraft while it is docked.
- This contract will provide for pre-conditioned air system units, ground power units, and mechanical and electrical loading bridge parts.
- JBT Aerotech Corporation 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.
- Total annual expenditures are estimated to be \$300,000.
- This activity is occurring on airport property, located in 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 Fund