# City of Charlotte



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

# **Legislation Text**

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# **Air Purification Solution for City Facilities**

## **Action:**

- A. Approve the purchase of a Bi-Polar Ionization System, by the sole source exemption,
- B. Approve a contract with Hoffman and Hoffman for the purchase of a Global Plasma Solution Bi-Polar Ionization System for the term of two years, and
- C. Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two, one-year renewal 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 any purchases made under the sole source exception.

#### **Explanation**

- Global Plasma Solutions (GPS) is a global leader in indoor air quality, with over 30 patents and more than 150,000 installations worldwide.
- The GPS system uses bipoloar ionization technology to remove indoor air pollutants including up to 99 percent of airborne viruses, mold, and bacteria.
- All city buildings are being evaluated for installation of the equipment to help promote the health of city employees and the visiting public.
- Estimated expenditures to purchase and install this technology is \$4,000,000.

#### **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: COVID Stimulus Fund