

Legislation Text

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Furniture, Installation, and Related Services

Action:

- A. Approve the purchase of furniture, installation, and related services from a cooperative contract,
- A. Approve a unit price contract with Universal Equipment Company for the purchase of furniture, installation, and related services for a term of three years under Omnia Partners Public Sector Contract Number R191805, May 1, 2020, and
- B. Authorize the City Manager to extend the contract for additional 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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Explanation

- The city is responsible for the operations and maintenance of municipal and cultural facilities, including seating in theaters and other performance spaces.
- Universal Equipment Company provides seating across the portfolio of city facilities.
- Universal Equipment Company is an authorized distributor for Irwin Seating Company. Irwin Seating Company was awarded a contract by Omnia Partners Public Sector which offers competitively-obtained contracts to public agencies nationwide.
- Universal Equipment Company is willing to provide to the city the products at the same or better terms as the terms provided under the Omnia Partners Public Sector contract.
- G.S. 143-129(e)(3) allows local governments to purchase from formally organized cooperative purchasing contracts.
- 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.
- Annual expenditures are estimated to be \$200,000.

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

Fiscal Note

Funding: General Capital Investment Plan and Cultural Facilities' Operating Budgets