

## Legislation Text

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### Hitachi Rail Signaling and Transportation Systems Parts and Repair Services

#### **Action:**

- A. Approve the purchase of parts and repair services for CATS Light Rail Vehicles and Wayside Equipment, by the sole source exemption, and**
- B. Approve a contract for up to \$1,750,000 with Hitachi Rail STS for the purchase of parts and repair services for a term of five years, and**
- C. Authorize the City Manager 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**

- Hitachi Rail STS is the Original Equipment Manufacturer of the LYNX Light Rail Vehicle (LRV) train control and signaling systems.
- The parts and services that are being purchased under this contract are for replacement parts and inventory stock spares required to maintain the LRVs, tracks signaling system, grade crossings, and train control.
- Annual expenditures are estimated to be \$350,000.

#### **Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)**

No goals shall be established on Contracts where: (a) there are no subcontracting opportunities identified for the Contract; or (b) there are no DBEs certified to perform the scopes of work that the city regards as realistic opportunities for subcontracting.

These contracts meet the provisions of (a) - No subcontracting opportunities.

#### **Fiscal Note**

CATS Operating Budget