



Legislation Text

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CATS Blue Line/Gold Line Rail Track Driver eXtra Software On-Going Maintenance and Support

Action:

- A. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and approve a contract in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 with Modern Communication Systems to provide support for the proprietary Track Driver eXtra software system;**
- B. Authorize the City Manager to approve price adjustments and amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved; and**
- C. Authorize the City Manager to purchase such additional software licenses, services, hardware, maintenance and support, and system upgrades/expansions as required to maintain the system for as long as the city uses the system.**

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Explanation

- The Track Driver eXtra (TDX) software provides the rail and control signaling used to direct railway traffic and to keep trains clear of each other at all times on the original Blue Line, Blue Line Extension, and the upcoming Gold Line Streetcar.
- Modern Communication Systems (MCS) (formerly Modern Railway Systems) developed and installed the proprietary TDX software as a part of the Blue Line Extension project.
- Waiver of a competitive solicitation process for services may be granted on a limited basis when deemed appropriate and in the city's best interest. A waiver has been approved for these services based on continuity of service as no other vendors support this proprietary system.
- Annual expenditures are estimated to be \$288,000.

Charlotte Business INclusion

Per Charlotte Business INclusion Policy: Part C: Section 2.1(a) The city shall not establish Subcontracting Goals for contracts where (a) there are no subcontracting opportunities identified for the Contract; or (b) there are no MWBEs or SBEs certified to perform the scopes of work that the city regards as realistic opportunities for subcontracting.

This contract meets the provision of (a) - No subcontracting opportunities.

Fiscal Note

Funding: CATS Operating Budget