

Legislation Text

File #: 15-15399, Version: 1

CATS Light Rail Vehicle Communication System Parts and Repair Services

Action:

- A. Approve the purchase of parts and repair services for the CATS light rail vehicle communication system equipment, by the sole source exemption,**
- B. Approve a contract with ISC Applied Systems 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

- The city uses original equipment manufacturer (OEM) rail parts in the daily maintenance and repair of the CATS light rail vehicles (LRV), trolley cars, and rail infrastructure.
- ISC Applied Systems is the OEM of the LYNX LRV communication system equipment.
- The parts and services that are being purchased under this contract are for replacement parts and inventory stock spares required to maintain the LRVs.
- Annual expenditures are estimated to be \$30,000.

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

CATS Operating Budget