



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 9/8/2021

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Item Creation Date: 8/20/2021

N30035 - Eppendorf epMotion 5075t Liquid Handling Workstation - MOTION
(EPPENDORF NORTH AMERICA, INC)

Agenda Item#: 12.

Summary:

NOT A REAL CAPTION

EPPENDORF NORTH AMERICA, INC. for sole source purchase of one epMotion 5075t Liquid Handling Workstation for Houston Health Department - \$137,882.95 - Grant Fund

Background:

Sole Source for N30035 – Approve the sole source purchase from Eppendorf North America, Inc. in the total amount of \$137,882.95 for one (1) epMotion 5075t Liquid Handling Workstation to run SARS-CoV-2 testing for the Houston Health Department.

Specific Explanation:

The Director of the Houston Health Department (HHD) and the Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) recommend that City Council approve the sole source purchase of one (1) epMotion 5075t Liquid Handling Workstation from **Eppendorf North America, Inc.** in the total amount of **\$137,882.95** and that authorization be given to issue a purchase order for HHD.

The epMotion 5075t Liquid Handling Workstation will allow HHD's Bureau of Laboratory Services to perform sequence analysis on all positive SARS-CoV-2 samples. This testing will be continual and ongoing due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This purchase includes installation, implementation, training, and shipping and handling. Eppendorf is the sole manufacturer, supplier, and distributor of the epMotion 5075t Liquid Handling Workstation and has not authorized any third party to provide Eppendorf products.

This recommendation is made pursuant to subsection 252.022(a)(7) of the Texas Local Government Code, which provides that "a procurement of items that are available from only one source..." is exempt from the competitive requirements for purchases.

M/WBE Participation:

M/WBE Zero Percentage Goal document approved by the Office of Business Opportunity.

Hire Houston First:

This procurement is exempt from the City's Hire Houston First ordinance. It does not apply to this procurement, because it involves the use of federal funds and is subject to specific procurement rules of the federal government.

Fiscal Note:

No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

8/31/2021

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Department Approval

8/31/2021

Estimated Spending Authority			
Department	FY22	Out Years	Total
Houston Health Department	\$137,882.95	\$0.00	\$137,882.95

Amount and Source of Funding:

\$137,882.95

Federal Government - Grant Fund

Fund 5000

