



## CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 10/12/2021

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Item Creation Date: 9/30/2021

N30081 - Reagents and Test Kits - MOTION (Illumina, Inc.)

Agenda Item#: 20.

### **Background:**

**Sole Source for N30081 – Approve the sole source purchase from Illumina, Inc. in the total amount of \$451,065.90 for reagents and test kits for SARS-CoV-2 testing for the Houston Health Department (HHD).**

### **Specific Explanation:**

The Director of the Houston Health Department and the Chief Procurement Officer recommend that City Council approve the sole source purchase of 90 MiSeq™ reagent kits, 70 Next Seq™ output kits, 60 DNA/RNA UD kits, 24 DNA Prep™ samples, 16 PCR dual index sets, and two (2) COVIDSeq™ test kits from **Illumina, Inc.** in the total amount of **\$451,065.90** and that authorization be given to issue a purchase order.

These reagents and test kits supplied from Illumina, Inc. are used for whole genome sequencing (WGS) for bacterial and viral pathogens for SARS-CoV-2 clinical, SARS-CoV-2 wastewater, and foodborne illnesses. WGS helps to identify any shifts in mutations and new potential variants of concern such as the Mu variant. The Delta variant has caused a three to four-fold increase in the volume of COVID-19 specimens, depleting these consumables much faster than forecasted. These supplies will be delivered to the HHD's laboratory located at 2252 Holcombe Boulevard and are anticipated to last HHD for the next 90 days. The vendor shall have 30 calendar days to deliver upon receipt of purchase order.

Illumina, Inc. is the sole manufacturer, supplier, and distributor of these 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 for grant items.

*Jerry Adams*

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**Jerry Adams, Chief Procurement Officer**

**Department Approval Authority**

**Finance/Strategic Procurement Division**

Estimated Spending Authority			
Department	FY22	Out Years	Total
Houston Health Department	\$451,065.90	\$0.00	\$451,065.90

### **Amount and Source of Funding:**

**\$451,065.90**

Federal Government - Grant Funded

Fund No.: 5000

### **Contact Information:**

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>
N30081 - PR 10292941 - Budget Form A and Certificate of Funds Grant 38000128-2020	Financial Information
N30081 - PR 10292941 - Conflict of Interest Form	Backup Material
N30081 - PR 10292941 - CPO Approval of Sole Source	Backup Material
N30081 - PR 10292941 - MWBE form OBO	Backup Material
N30081 - PR 10292941 - Screenshot of Kits	Backup Material
N30081 - PR 10292941 - Sole Source Justification	Backup Material
N30081 - PR 10292941 - Sole Source Letter	Backup Material
N30081 - PR 10292941 - Ownership Form	Backup Material
N30081 - PR 10292941 - Quote	Backup Material