



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 11/16/2021

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Item Creation Date:

S30006 - E-Coli Water Test Kits and Supplies - MOTION (IDEXX Distribution, Inc.)

Agenda Item#: 10.

Background:

Sole Bid Received August 26, 2021 for S92-S30006 - Approve an award to IDEXX Distribution, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$6,270,102.12 for E-Coli water test kits and supplies for various departments.

Specifics Explanation:

The Chief Procurement Officer recommends that City Council approve an award to **IDEXX Distribution, Inc.** on its sole bid in the amount not to exceed **\$6,270,102.12** for E-Coli water test kits and supplies for various departments. It is further requested that authorization be given to make purchases, as needed, for a **36-month period with two one-year options**.

This award consists of various types of E-Coli water test kits and supplies such as Colilert 18, Colilert 24, quanti-tray 2000, quanti-tray sealers, and Colilert comparator bottles to be used by Houston Public Works and the Houston Health Department to test for Escherichia coli (E-Coli) and coliforms in potable water.

The City of Houston performs Standard Method 9223-Enzyme Substrate Coliform Test for the detection of coliform bacteria in drinking water. This is the approved method registered with the State and the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Council Institute.

This project was advertised in accordance with the requirements of the State of Texas bid laws. Eleven prospective bidders downloaded the solicitation document from SPD's e-bidding website, and one bid was received.

Subsequent to receipt of the bid, the Strategic Procurement Division contacted potential bidders to determine the reason for the limited response to the ITB. A representative from one vendor advised SPD that they do not carry IDEXX products. Another vendor stated they felt they would not be competitive compared to the IDEXX manufacturer.

MWBE Participations:

Zero percentage goal-document approved by the Office of Business Opportunity.

Hire Houston First:

The proposed award requires compliance with the City's 'Hire Houston First' (HHF) ordinance that promotes economic opportunity for Houston businesses and supports job creation. In this case, **IDEXX Distribution, Inc.** does not meet the requirements for HHF designation; no HHF firms were within three percent.

Fiscal Note:

- Funding for this item is included in the FY2022 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in the Financial Policies.
- No Fiscal Note is required on grant items.

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Department Approval Authority

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Estimated Spending Authority

Department	FY22	Out Years	Total
Houston Health	\$ 1,106,448.62	\$ 4,425,794.50	\$ 5,532,243.12
Houston Public Works	\$ 98,000.00	\$ 639,859.00	\$ 737,859.00
Total	\$ 1,204,448.62	\$ 5,065,653.50	\$ 6,270,102.12

Amount and Source of Funding:

\$5,532,243.12	Federal Government Fund (5000)
\$ 737,859.00	HPW – Water & Sewer System Operating Fund (8300)
\$6,270,102.12	Total

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
S30006 - MWBE	Backup Material
S30006 - BID TABULATION	Backup Material
S30006 - FORM B	Backup Material
S30006 - OWNERSHIP INFO. FORM - IDEXX DISTRIBUTION, INC.	Backup Material
S30006 - TAX REPORT	Backup Material
S30006 - FINANCIAL FORMA - HHD	Financial Information
S30006 - FINANCIAL FORMA - HPW	Financial Information