



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 9/7/2022

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Item Creation Date: 8/1/2022

N32468 - Eppendorf Liquid Handling Workstation (Eppendorf North America, Inc.) -
MOTION

Agenda Item#: 11.

Background:

Sole Source for N32468 – Approve the sole source purchase from Eppendorf North America, Inc. in the total amount of \$313,136.95 for epMotion 5075t Liquid Handling Workstation and components to run SARS-CoV-2 testing for the Houston Health Department.

Specific Explanation:

The Director of the Houston Health Department and Interim Chief Procurement Officer recommend that City Council approve the sole source purchase of one (1) Eppendorf Liquid Workstation and associated components from **Eppendorf North America, Inc.** in the total amount of **\$313,136.95** and that authorization be given to issue a purchase order.

The epMotion 5075t Liquid 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, associated components and shipping and handling.

Eppendorf is the sole manufacturer, supplier, and distributor of the epMotion 5075t Liquid Handling Workstation and components 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.

MWBE Participation:

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

Hire Houston First:

Hire Houston First does not apply to this expenditure, 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.

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Department Approval Authority

8/29/2022

Estimated Spending Authority			
DEPARTMENT	FY2023	Out-Years	Total
Houston Health Department	\$313,136.95	\$0.00	\$313,136.95

Amount and Source of Funding:

\$313,136.95

Federal Government - Grant Funded
Fund No.: 5000

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description Type

Description	Type
MWBE Waiver	Backup Material
Tax Report	Backup Material
Patient Document	Backup Material
Drug and Deterrence Policy	Backup Material
Certificate of Insurance	Backup Material
Cost Estimate	Backup Material
Certification of Funds and RCA Form	Backup Material
Quote	Backup Material
Sole Source Justification Eppendorf 4-13-2022	Backup Material