

CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: ALL Item Creation Date: 3/19/2025

SR1497601692 - Category Management Implementation (Ernst & Young, LLC) - MOTION

Agenda Item#:

Background:

SR1497601692 – Approve Spending Authority in an amount not to exceed \$3,995,000.00 for ongoing monitoring and support services related to the City-wide enterprise assessment and strategic sourcing and implementation of a category management program with Ernst & Young, LLC through a Cooperative Contract with Omnia Partners for the Mayor's Office and Strategic Procurement Division.

Specific Explanation:

The Chief Procurement Officer recommends that City Council approve spending authority in an amount not to exceed \$3,995,000.00 for ongoing monitoring and support services related to the City-wide enterprise assessment and strategic sourcing and implementation of a category management program for the Mayor's Office and Strategic Procurement Division for an **eighteen-month** period, and grant the Chief Procurement Officer authority to sign the Master Services Agreement with the Omnia Partners Cooperative supplier, **Ernst & Young, LLP**.

The scope of work requires the consultant to provide all labor and materials to conduct ongoing monitoring and support services related to the enterprise performance and financial, organizational, and forensic accounting assessments completed. The consultant will also support the City in implementing strategies identified throughout the spend analysis assessment, including strategic sourcing opportunities and a category management program. The key focus areas for these services include category management, strategic sourcing, performance management, and spend analytics.

This recommendation is made pursuant to subsection 271.102(c) of the Texas Local Government Code, which provides that "a local government that purchases goods or services from a cooperative purchasing program or organization satisfies any state law requiring the local government to seek competitive bids for the purchase of the goods or services.

M/WBE Subcontracting:

This spending authority is awarded as a contract-specific, goal-oriented award with a 12.86% MWBE participation level. Ernst & Young has designated the below-named company as its certified MWBE subcontractor.

VENDOR NAME	TYPE OF WORK	Percent
MPACT Strategic Consulting	Managed consulting services	12.86%
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Hire Houston First:

This procurement is exempt from the City's Hire Houston First Ordinance. Bids/proposals were not solicited because the department is utilizing an Interlocal/Cooperative Purchasing Agreement for this purchase.

Fiscal Note:

Funding for this item is included in the FY25 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in the Financial Policies.

Jedediah Greenfield
Chief Procurement Officer

Estimated Spending Authority:				
Department	FY2025	Out Years	Total	
General Government	\$300,000.00	\$1,278,328.62	\$1,578,328.62	
Houston Public Works	\$300,000.00	\$1,401,286.73	\$1,701,286.73	
Houston Airport System	\$100,000.00	\$615,384.65	\$715,384.65	

Amount and Source of Funding: \$1,578,328.62 – General Fund (1000) \$1,701,286.73 – Water and Sewer System Operating Fund (8300) \$715,384.65 – HAS Revenue Fund (8001) \$3,995,000.00 - Total

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Ownership Form	Backup Material
Tax Report	Backup Material
MWBE Letter of Intent	Backup Material
Proposal	Backup Material