



**CITY OF TYLER
CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

Agenda Number: R-1

Date: November 8, 2006

Subject: Request that the City Council consider approving the continued participation in the State Purchasing and General Services Commission Local Government Purchasing Program for fiscal year 2006-2007 by adopting a Resolution and authorizing the City to renew several annual leases for computer equipment from IBM previously obtained through this program.

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Item Reference: Participation in State Catalogue purchasing program and Leasing of Technology equipment.

As an initial part of the City of Tyler Blueprint implementation, the use of computers by City workers was increased and a cycle of three year leasing/replacing of those computers was implemented. The most efficient way to implement this program was for the City Council to approve and authorize purchasing a maximum three-year lease in the amount of \$390,225.00 from the State Catalogue Purchasing Program. This is a state program whereby State law in Local Government Code Section 271.081 authorizes the State to conduct a bid process and create a list of vendors and products that cities can obtain directly without further bidding if the City passes a Resolution and designates an official to act on the City's behalf. This enabled the City to take advantage of vendors who have the most up to date equipment at the best price during the month of departmental equipment upgrades.

It is still considered to be in the City of Tyler's best interest to lease computer equipment and software. As prices continue to go down, it may become more economical to begin purchasing equipment in future replacements. Leasing equipment continues to provide the City a way to obtain the latest technology at the lowest possible cost.

During fiscal year 2006-2007, Staff plans to replace and install approximately 1/3 of the City of Tyler's personal computers (146 workgroup computers), 25 printers, 18 laptops and workgroup software for each of the City's departments.

Although the City Council has previously authorized participation in this program, it is necessary to renew that authorization. The attached Resolution approves participation for fiscal year 2006-2007 and acknowledges such past participation.

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Annual costs related to fiscal year 2006-2007 replacements and maintenance:

Leased Equipments (IBM)	\$390,225.00
Departmental software (H.T.E -all, Faster -VES, Sirsi -Library, Esri-GIS, etc.)	\$446,969.00
Cingular Wireless (GPRS, Frame Relay, Modems)	\$113,056.00
AS/400s, Plotter, Channel 3 Maintenance	\$24,025.00
Fiber Maintenance (Cox Communication, new contract)	\$82,582.00
ETMC, Motorola and Teletouch 800 MHZ Maint. (Radios, Tower)	\$186,511.00
Pitney Bowes (Folding and Mailing machine)	\$10,212.00
Cisco/Avnet (Switches Leasing) (CC, item M5 2/23/05)	\$119,127.00
Southwestern Bell Phone (Citywide, 800 Number, Yellow Pages)	\$186,837.00

Funding has been budgeted in the following account numbers:

671-0150-416-04-03
671-0150-416-08-44

671-0150-416-04-08
671-0149-416-04-08

671-0150-416-08-45

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a Resolution renewing the City of Tyler's participation in the State Catalogue Purchasing Program and authorize the City Manager to approve leasing and purchasing expenditures for the technology related equipment listed above.

Drafted/Recommended By:
Department Leader


Benny Yazdanpanahi, CIO

Edited/Submitted By:
City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. R-2006-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS, REQUESTING PARTICIPATION IN STATE CONTRACT PURCHASES.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Tyler, Texas, pursuant to the authority granted by Sections 271.071 through 271.083, Local Government Code, V.T.C.A., as amended, desires to continue its participation in the described purchasing programs of the General Services Commission as it has been since November 1992; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is of the opinion that participation in these programs will be highly beneficial to the taxpayers of Tyler, through the anticipated savings to be realized; and

WHEREAS, past participation has been beneficial;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS:

PART 1: That the City Council of the City of Tyler, Texas, does request the General Services Commission to be allowed to participate in its purchasing programs, that Bob Turner, City Manager, or his representative is authorized and directed to act for the City in all matters relating to the program including signing and delivering all necessary requests, and further that;

- a. the City Council will direct all decisions of its representative;
- b. City will purchase from the contracts made under this subchapter, except in emergencies;
- c. City will be responsible for payment directly to the vendor under each contract; and
- d. City will be responsible for the vendor's compliance with all conditions of delivery and quality of the purchased item.

PART 2: That City participation in this program since October 12, 2005, is hereby acknowledged and ratified.

ADOPTED this 8th day of November, A.D., 2006

JOSEPH O. SEEBER, MAYOR OF
THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY CLERK

GARY C. LANDERS, CITY ATTORNEY