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Memorandum

DATE: August 17, 2016

TO: Mayor Prussing and City Council Members

FROM: Kyle Hensch, Division Chief
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RE: Houston-Galveston Area Council Purchasing Cooperative

Introduction: Attached is a Resolution Approving an Interlocal Contract for Cooperative Purchasing with the Houston-Galveston Area Council.

Discussion: The Houston-Galveston Area Council cooperative purchasing program (hereafter referred to as HGACBuy) offers government entities the opportunity to purchase products and equipment commonly used in Public Safety. By becoming a member of HGACBuy, the City of Urbana would have access to the competitive pricing that vendors and contractors offer through this cooperative.

HGACBuy uses mass circulation, minority emphasis print media, and internet services to post legal notices and bid solicitations. Therefore, posting of public notices to solicit bids and the formal competitive bid process are satisfied through HGACBuy procedures.

While Fire Department personnel are primarily interested in the purchase of fire apparatus, HGACBuy offers competitive pricing on products and equipment for public works, police, communications, professional consulting, and personnel and financing services. This means many other City departments could benefit from the City's membership in the cooperative.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact associated with entering into this interlocal contract. There are no costs or fees associated with membership in HGACBuy, and there is no obligation to make a purchase through the cooperative.

Recommendation: It is recommended that **A Resolution Approving an Interlocal Contract for Cooperative Purchasing with the Houston-Galveston Area Council** be approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-08-053R

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL CONTRACT FOR COOPERATIVE PURCHASING WITH THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 10(a), of the Illinois Constitution, 1970, and Section 3 of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/3, confer broad power upon units of local government to contract or otherwise associate with other states and their units of local government to obtain or share services and to exercise, combine, or transfer any power or function, in any manner not prohibited by law or by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Section 5 of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/5, authorizes public agencies to establish intergovernmental contracts with other public agencies, within and outside the State of Illinois, with the approval of their governing bodies; and

WHEREAS, Section 2 of the Governmental Joint Purchasing Act, 30 ILCS 525/2, authorizes any governmental unit to purchase personal property, supplies, and services jointly with one or more other governmental units; and

WHEREAS, Urbana City Code Section 2-116 allows the officials of the City who are authorized to purchase personal property and supplies for the City to perform any acts necessary to make purchases under the authority of the Governmental Joint Purchasing Act; and

WHEREAS, the Houston-Galveston Area Council ("H-GAC") is a regional planning commission and political subdivision of the State of Texas operating under Chapter 391 of the Texas Local Government Code and is authorized to contract with eligible entities to perform governmental functions, including the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, in reliance on such authority, H-GAC has instituted a cooperative purchasing program under which it contracts with eligible entities under the Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the best interests of the City are served by approving an interlocal contract for cooperative purchasing with H-GAC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1.

An Interlocal Contract for Cooperative Purchasing between the City of Urbana, Illinois, and the Houston-Galveston Area Council, in substantially the form of the copy of said Contract attached hereto and hereby incorporated by reference, be and the same is hereby authorized and approved.

Section 2.

The Mayor of the City of Urbana, Illinois, be and the same is hereby authorized to execute and deliver and the City Clerk of the City of Urbana, Illinois, be and the same is hereby authorized to attest to said execution of said Contract as so authorized and approved for and on behalf of the City of Urbana, Illinois.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this ____ day of _____, _____.

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this ____ day of _____, _____.

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor