

Subject: Resolution #787 – Approval of Inter-Agency Agreement with Washington State Dept. of Enterprise Service for use of Purchasing platform

Dept. Origin: Clerk’s Office
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For Agenda of: March 19, 2024
Exhibits: Attached Resolution and Agreement

Proposed Council Action:

Approve Resolution No. 787.

Initial & Date
Concurred by Mayor: _____
Approved/form by City Atty: JSR/3-14-24
Approved by _____ Director: _____
Approved by Department Head: _____

INFORMATION / BACKGROUND

The Interlocal Cooperation Act¹, authorizes the City is to contract with other governmental agencies to provide services that the City is authorized to perform. The Washington State Department of Enterprise Systems (DES) engages in obtaining products and services for use by State Agencies. DES goes through the competitive bidding process for obtaining these contracts and maintains a list of vendors for a variety of items which the state agencies can use in making purchases. These are called “master contracts.”

The City is allowed to utilize the master contracts developed by DES and make a direct purchase from the vendors that are qualified by DES. In order to utilize this system, Ruston is required to execute an Inter-Agency agreement with DES. The City of Ruston has used this contract in the past for purchasing police vehicles, allowing the City to avoid the cumbersome process of putting its requirements out to bid. The City Council previously authorized this contract by adoption of Resolution 626 on March 15, 2016, however, the State has updated the contract and therefore a new approval is required.

As part of the Inter-Agency Agreement, Ruston agrees to be responsible for any purchases it makes, be open to audit its compliance and not hold DES responsible for the purchases made using its vendor system.

¹ Chapter 39.34 RCW

FISCAL CONSIDERATION

There are no fiscal consequences of this legislation and this agreement does not require the City to pay DES for using the vendor system. However, access to this vendor system will save the City money in not having to go through a competitive bidding process.

BOARD OR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

N/A

RECOMMENDATION / MOTION

Approve Resolution No. 787.

MOTION: I move passage of Resolution No. 787 authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Washington State Department of Enterprise Service for use of the “master contracts” developed by DES.

RESOLUTION NO. 787

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF RUSTON, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING
THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTER-AGENCY
AGREEMENT WITH WASHINGTON STATE
DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE SERVICE.**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 39.34 RCW, the “Interlocal Cooperation Act”, the City is authorized to contract with other governmental agencies to provide services that the City is authorized to perform; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Enterprise Systems (DES) engages in obtaining products and services for use by State Agencies. As part of this process, DES goes through the competitive bidding process for obtaining these contracts and maintains a list of vendors for a variety of items which the state agencies can use in making purchases. These are called “master contracts;” and

WHEREAS, the City of Ruston occasionally has need to make purchases, such as vehicles; and

WHEREAS, it is cost effective and more efficient for the City to utilize the master contracts developed by DES and make a direct purchase from the vendors that are qualified by DES; and

WHEREAS, in order to utilize this system, Ruston is required to execute an Inter-Agency agreement with DES; and

WHEREAS, the Council has previously authorized this contract by adoption of Resolution 626 on March 15, 2016, however, the State has updated the contract and therefore a new approval is required; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it in the public interest to authorize the Mayor to execute the proposed Inter-Agency Agreement with WSDDES for allowing the City to access the “master contracts” developed by WSDDES which is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit “A”;
NOW, THEREFORE,

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RUSTON, WASHINGTON, DOES
HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Agreement Authorized. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Inter-Agency Agreement with WSDDES for utilizing the “master contracts” in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit “A”.

Section 2. Posting on Website Required. Pursuant to RCW 39.34.040, once this Agreement has been executed by both Ruston and WSDDES, the City Clerk is directed to post a copy of this Agreement on the City’s website.

RESOLVED this 19th day of March, 2024.

APPROVED:

Bruce Hopkins, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Laurie Cassell, City Clerk

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: _____
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: _____
RESOLUTION NO.: 787

Exhibit “A”

Inter-Agency Agreement

Between

City of Ruston

&

Washington State Dept. of Enterprise Services

For use of Master Contracts



State of Washington DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE SERVICES <i>Attn:</i> Contracts & Procurement P.O. Box 41411 Olympia, WA 98504-1411	CONTRACT USAGE AGREEMENT	
	CUA no. and effective dates will be completed by DES CUA No.: _____ Effective Date: _____	
INSERT ELIGIBLE PURCHASER NAME Business Contact: Tel: Email: Tax Identification No.:	Type of Eligible Purchaser	
		Washington state agency
		Washington local governmental agency or entity (e.g., counties, cities, school districts, public utility districts, etc.)
		Federal governmental agency or entity
		Tribe located in the State of Washington

**CONTRACT USAGE AGREEMENT
 FOR
 DESIGNATED ENTERPRISE PROCUREMENT SOLUTIONS FOR GOODS/SERVICES ('CONTRACTS')**

This Contract Usage Agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into by and between the State of Washington acting by and through the Department of Enterprise Services, a Washington State governmental agency (“Enterprise Services”) and the _____, a _____ governmental agency/entity (“Eligible Purchaser”) and is dated and effective as _____.

RECITALS

- A. The Washington State Legislature has authorized Enterprise Services to enter into agreements with certain governmental agencies/entities (each an eligible purchaser) to enable such entities to utilize certain contracts developed and/or administered by Enterprise Services that function as enterprise procurement solutions to enable Washington state agencies and other eligible purchasers to purchase goods and/or services cost-effectively and efficiently from specified contractors at contracted prices, terms, and conditions (“Contracts”). See RCW 39.26.050(1); RCW 43.19.005(2); and RCW 39.34.055.
- B. To enter into a *Contract Usage Agreement* with Enterprise Services as an Eligible Purchaser, the agency/entity must be one of the following:
 - Washington state agencies;
 - Washington local governmental agencies or entities;
 - Federal governmental agencies or entities; or
 - Tribes located in Washington state.

to enable such entities (each an “Eligible Purchaser”) to utilize certain competitively solicited and awarded contracts developed and/or administered by Enterprise Services to purchase goods and/or services (“Contracts”).

- C. Eligible Purchasers who execute a *Contract Usage Agreement* with Enterprise Services may utilize the following categories of enterprise procurement solutions for goods/services, each a category of available Contracts:
- **Statewide Contracts.** Contracts for goods/services developed and implemented by Enterprise Services on behalf of the State of Washington pursuant to the State’s Procurement Code for Goods/Services (RCW 39.26). *See* RCW 39.26.050.
 - **Cooperative Purchasing Agreements.** Specified Cooperative purchasing agreements for goods/services developed or joined by Enterprise Services on behalf of the State of Washington. *See* RCW 39.26.060.
 - **Legislatively Directed Contracts.** Certain ‘mandatory use’ or other contracts for goods/services in which the Washington State Legislature has specified for use by Washington state agencies and/or other eligible purchasers – e.g., Correctional Industries contracts. *See* RCW 39.26.251.
- Enterprise Services maintains a list of all such Contracts at its [Contracts Webpage](#).
- D. Eligible Purchaser desires to contract with Enterprise Services to access and use the Contracts, subject to their terms and conditions.
- E. The purpose of the Agreement is to establish the terms and conditions to authorize Eligible Purchaser to use the Contracts.

A G R E E M E N T

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. **DURATION.** This Agreement is effective as of the effective date stated herein and shall continue in force unless terminated by either party upon thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice.
2. **ELIGIBLE PURCHASER’S REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES.** Eligible Purchaser makes each of the following representations and warranties as of the effective date of this Agreement and at the time any order is placed pursuant to any Contract by Eligible Purchaser. If, at the time of any such order, Eligible Purchaser cannot make such representations and warranties, Eligible Purchaser shall not place any such order and shall, within three (3) business days notify Enterprise Services, in writing, and terminate this Agreement.
 - a. **ELIGIBLE PURCHASER STATUS.** Eligible Purchaser represents and warrants that, as set forth in RCW 39.26.050(1), RCW 43.19.005(2), and/or the Interlocal Cooperation Act (RCW 39.34), it is an entity that is eligible to utilize Enterprise Services’ Contracts. Eligible Purchaser further represents and warrants that, upon request from Enterprise Services, Eligible Purchaser shall provide documentation to confirm its eligibility to use the Contracts.
 - b. **CONTRACT AUDITS.** Eligible Purchaser represents and warrants that it shall cooperate with Enterprise Services, the Office of the State Auditor, federal officials, and/or any third party authorized by law or contract, in any audit conducted by such party pertaining to any Contracts that Eligible Purchaser has made purchases from pursuant to this Agreement, including providing records related to any purchases from such Contracts.

3. **AUTHORIZED USE; FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.** Eligible Purchaser understands and agrees that it shall: (a) deal directly with the Contract’s awarded contractor (i.e., the vendor, supplier, service supplier, etc.) for any purchases it makes under the Contract, as authorized by this Agreement; and (b) assume full and complete responsibility, financial and otherwise, for any purchases made pursuant to any Contract.
4. **SEPARATE RESPONSIBILITY.** Each party to this Agreement shall be responsible for the acts, errors, and omissions of itself and it’s own officers, employees, and agents acting within the scope of the performance of this Agreement and within the scope of their authority.
5. **RESOLVING CONTRACT PURCHASE DISPUTES.** The parties agree that, if there are any disputes between Eligible Purchaser and a Contract contractor, Eligible Purchaser shall: (a) provide Enterprise Services written notice of the nature of the dispute including the efforts undertaken to resolve the dispute; and (b) unless otherwise provided in the Contract, work in good faith with the contractor to resolve the dispute without the involvement of Enterprise Services. Enterprise Services may, upon request, review and assist in the resolution of a dispute, and, if Enterprise Services chooses to do so, Eligible Purchaser will cooperate with Enterprise Services in that resolution process. Enterprise Services, in its sole discretion, may elect to resolve disputes with a contractor on behalf of Eligible Purchaser and all other users of the applicable Contract. In such event, Enterprise Services’ resolution shall be binding.

6. AGREEMENT ADMINISTRATION & NOTICES.

- a. **AGREEMENT CONTACTS.** The parties hereby designate the following agreement administrators as the respective single points of contact for purposes of this Agreement. The parties may change agreement administrators by written notice as set forth below.

Enterprise Services
 Attn: Contracts & Procurement
 Washington Dept. of Enterprise
 Services PO Box 41411 Olympia,
 WA 98504-1411
 Email: CUA@des.wa.gov

Eligible Purchaser
 Attn: _____

 Email: _____

- b. **ADDITIONAL AGREEMENT CONTACTS FOR ELIGIBLE PURCHASER.** If necessary or desired, Eligible Purchaser may specify alternative or additional contacts for purposes of this Agreement (e.g., Eligible Purchaser may specify alternative or additional contacts for usage of certain Contracts such as vehicle ordering); *Provided*, however, that such alternative or additional contacts must utilize email notification to facilitate computer-generated cost-effective and efficient communication between the parties. Eligible Purchaser may designate such additional contacts at any time as set forth below.
- c. **NOTICES.** Any notices required or desired shall be in writing and sent by U.S. mail (postage prepaid) or email, and shall be sent to the respective addressee at the respective address or email address set forth above or to such other address or email address as the parties may specify in writing. Notices shall be deemed effective upon the earlier of receipt, if mailed, or, if emailed, upon transmission to the designated email address of said addressee.

7. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

- a. **AGREEMENT AVAILABILITY.** Prior to its entry into force, this Agreement shall be posted on the Enterprise Services' website or other electronically retrievable public source as required by RCW 39.34.040.
- b. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, and understandings between them. There are no representations or understandings of any kind not set forth herein.
- c. **AMENDMENT OR MODIFICATION.** Except as set forth herein, this Agreement may not be amended or modified except in writing and signed by a duly authorized representative of each party hereto.
- d. **AUTHORITY.** Each party to this Agreement, and each individual signing on behalf of each party, hereby represents and warrants to the other that it has full power and authority to enter into this Agreement and that its execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement has been fully authorized and approved, and that no further approvals or consents are required to bind such party.
- e. **NO AGENCY.** The parties agree that no agency, partnership, or joint venture of any kind shall be or is intended to be created by or under this Agreement. Neither party is an agent of the other party nor authorized to obligate it.
- f. **ASSIGNMENT.** Eligible Purchaser may not assign its rights under this Agreement.
- g. **GOVERNING LAW.** The validity, construction, performance, and enforcement of this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington, without regard to its choice of law principles that would provide for the application of the laws of another jurisdiction.
- h. **JURISDICTION & VENUE.** In the event that any action is brought to enforce any provision of this Agreement, the parties agree to exclusive jurisdiction in Thurston County Superior Court for the State of Washington and agree that in any such action venue shall lie exclusively at Olympia, Washington.
- i. **CAPTIONS & HEADINGS.** The captions and headings in this Agreement are for convenience only and are not intended to, and shall not be construed to, limit, enlarge, or affect the scope or intent of this Agreement nor the meaning of any provisions hereof.
- j. **ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES.** An electronic signature or electronic record of this Agreement or any other ancillary agreement shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original executed copy of this Agreement or such other ancillary agreement for all purposes.

k. COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which counterparts together shall constitute the same instrument which may be sufficiently evidenced by one counterpart. Execution of this Agreement at different times and places by the parties shall not affect the validity thereof so long as all the parties hereto execute a counterpart of this Agreement.

EXECUTED AND EFFECTIVE as of the day and date first above written.

A _____ GOVERNMENT AGENCY

STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE SERVICES
A GOVERNMENT AGENCY

By: _____

By: _____

Name: _____

Name: Rebecca Linville

Title: _____

Title: Washington State Chief Procurement Officer
Assistant Director, Contracts & Procurement

NOTE: Please sign and submit this form electronically. It will delay processing if you print and sign.