



Legislation Text

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MOTION TO RATIFY THE CITY MANAGER'S APPROVAL FOR THE EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF A CISCO FIREPOWER 2140 SECURITY APPLIANCE FROM NTT AMERICA SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR PEMBROKE PINES CHARTER SCHOOLS IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$54,122.62, PURSUANT TO SECTION 35.18(C)(1) OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES.

PROCUREMENT PROCESS TAKEN:

- **Chapter 35 of the City's Code of Ordinance is titled "PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES, PUBLIC FUNDS."**
- **Section 35.18 of the City's Code of Ordinances is titled "COMPETITIVE BIDDING OR COMPETITIVE PROPOSALS REQUIRED; EXCEPTIONS."**
- **Section 35.18(C) states that "Only the following situations are exempt from the competitive bid and competitive proposal requirements of this section:"**
- **Section 35.18(C)(1) states, "Emergency purchases. In urgent cases of compelling emergency that require the immediate purchase of commodities or services, the City Manager is empowered to waive competitive bidding or competitive proposals and authorize the Chief Procurement Officer to secure by open market procedure any commodities or services, notwithstanding the estimated cost of the commodities or services."**
- **Section 35.21 of the City's Code of Ordinances is titled "AWARD OF CONTRACT."**
- **Section 35.21(A) of the City's Code of Ordinances is titled "City Commission approval."**
- **Section 35.21(A)(1) states, "An initial purchase of, or contract for, commodities or services, in excess of \$25,000, shall require the approval of the City Commission, regardless of whether the competitive bidding or competitive proposal procedures were followed."**

SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND:

1. In order to support the reopening of schools and virtual learning in the classrooms via video conferencing platforms, the Cisco Firepower 2140 Security Appliance was needed in order to increase the Comcast internet bandwidth from 1Gbps to 5Gbps at the following Pembroke Pines Charter School campuses: Academic Village, East, Central and West.
2. On October 13, 2020, the City Manager approved the emergency purchase of the Cisco Firepower 2140 Security Appliance.

3. Request Commission to ratify the City Manager's approval for the emergency purchase of a Cisco Firepower 2140 Security Appliance from NTT America Solutions, Inc. for Pembroke Pines Charter Schools in the amount not to exceed \$54,122.62, pursuant to Section 35.18(C)(1) of the City's Code of Ordinances.

FINANCIAL IMPACT DETAIL:

- a) Initial Cost:** \$54,122.62
- b) Amount budgeted for this item in Account No:**
\$15,249.00 1-525-3050-COVID-52652
\$38,873.62 1-525-3050-COVID-64039
- c) Source of funding for difference, if not fully budgeted:** Not Applicable.
- d) 5 year projection of the operational cost of the project** Not Applicable.
- e) Detail of additional staff requirements:** Not Applicable.