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A resolution approving a sole source contract between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Action Commission, and UTJ Holdco, Inc., dba Teaching Strategies, LLC, for the provision of research-based, birth through kindergarten educational assessment software.

WHEREAS, Section 4.12.060 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws authorizes the Metropolitan Purchasing Agent to enter into sole source contracts when the Purchasing Agent determines in writing according to standards adopted by the Procurement Standards Board that there is only one source for the supply or services required; and,

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent has determined that the services and supplies to be provided by UTJ Holdco, Inc., meet the requirements for the use of a sole source contract; and,

WHEREAS, Section 4.12.060 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws calls for Council approval by Resolution of sole source contracts “with a total contract amount in excess of two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000.00)”; and,

WHEREAS, approval of the contract will benefit the citizens of Nashville and Davison County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the Contract between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, acting by and through the Metropolitan Action Commission, and UTJ Holdco, Inc., dba Teaching Strategies, LLC, for the provision of research-based, birth through kindergarten educational assessment software, attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Analysis

This resolution approves a sole source contract between the Metropolitan Action Commission and UTJ Holdco, Inc. d/b/a Teaching Strategies, LLC, to provide research-based birth through kindergarten educational assessment software.

Sole source contracts may be awarded under the Metro procurement code when it is determined that there is only one source for the supply or services rendered. Section 4.12.060 of the Metro Code requires all sole source contracts having a total value in excess of $250,000 to be approved by the Council by resolution.

The estimated value of this contract is $504,923. The term of the agreement is 60 months, beginning upon approval of all required parties and filing with the Metropolitan Clerk’s Office.

According to the sole source justification form, the Metropolitan Action Commission’s Head Start and Early Head Start programs use the Teaching Strategies curriculum. Teaching Strategies is the only company that implements and supports the curriculum.

Fiscal Note: The estimated value of this sole source contract number 6522808 with UTJ Holdco, Inc. dba Teaching Strategies, LLC for research-based birth through kindergarten educational assessment software is $504,923 to be paid from Fund 31502/10101, Business Unit 75302140/75308450/39101090. However, actual expenses may be paid from various department's fund and business unit when purchase orders are issued.