

RESOLUTION NO. 6266

A RESOLUTION APPROVING EXEMPTION FROM THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCESS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A PROCUREMENT CARD PROGRAM THROUGH AN EXISTING CONTRACT WITH FIA CARD SERVICES, N.A., A BANK OF AMERICA COMPANY, AND THE CITY OF PORTLAND; ISSUING A NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD WITH FIA CARD SERVICES, N.A.; AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH FIA CARD SERVICES N.A., TO PURCHASE A PROCUREMENT CARD SERVICE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, on December 21, 2007, the City of Albany entered into a WellsOne Commercial Card Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank to make a procurement card program available to designated employees; and

WHEREAS, the procurement cards have the flexibility of credit cards but are controlled through individual cardholder agreements, approved merchant category codes, credit limits, and use restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the WellsOne Commercial Card program has monthly maintenance fees, card issuance fees, and individual transaction fees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland conducted a formal, competitively bid Request for Proposals, RFP No. 107118, for the purchase of procurement card services and entered into a contract with FIA Card Services, N.A., a Bank of America Company, to provide a procurement card services program in November 2009; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland's contract with FIA Card Services, N.A., allows other public entities to use the terms and conditions of their contract, pursuant to ORS Chapter 279A.215 (Oregon Permissive Cooperative Procurement) and OAR 137-046-0400 through 0480; and

WHEREAS, the FIA Card Services program provides the flexibility and controls of the WellsOne Commercial Card program but with much more favorable terms and a rebate program that includes a consortium of over forty participating public agencies; and

WHEREAS, purchasing a procurement card program through the City of Portland and FIA Card Services, N.A. contract, would not reduce competition or give favoritism, would provide significant cost savings, and is found to be in the best interest of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City can join the FIA Card Services program through a linking authorization agreement provided in the City of Portland contract; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Department is prepared to issue a Notice of Intent to award the purchase of procurement card program and advertise the Notice for seven days prior to contract award.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Albany City Council authorizes the Finance Department an exemption from the competitive bidding process for the purchase of a procurement card services program through an existing contract with FIA Card Services, N.A., a Bank of America Company, and the City of Portland; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Albany City Council authorizes the Finance Department to issue a Notice of Intent to award a contract with FIA Card Services, N.A.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Albany City Council authorizes the Finance Director to enter into a contract with FIA Card Services, N.A. for a procurement card services program, subject to no formal protests during the Notice of Intent to Award period.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 25TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2013.


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk

