



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
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Submitted By: Shawn Cox, deputy City Administrator

Council Meeting Date: Tuesday, December 19, 2023

Agenda Item Wording: Discuss and consider approval of membership into the OMNIA Partners Cooperative purchasing agency.

Agenda Item Requestor:

Summary/Background:

Included in the FY 2024 Adopted budget is funding for the purchase and installation of solar light poles at Founders Park. Through their research, The Parks and Public Works Departments have determined the best product and price for these lights can be provided by First Light Technologies. The pricing is based on First Technologies Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Omnia Partners.

Omnia Partners is a cooperative purchasing agency which conducts the necessary competitive bidding process for all their contracts. Members of Omnia can utilize the prices agreed to by Omnia and their contractors.

The city of Dripping Springs is eligible to join Omnia Partners and utilize its contracts. There is no cost for the City to join.

Omnia can provide cooperative purchasing opportunities similar to the Texas BuyBoard, of which the City is already a member.

Commission

Recommendations:

Recommended Council Actions: The Parks, Public Works and Finance Department recommended approval of the City membership into the OMNIA Partners Cooperative purchasing agency.

Attachments:

- Graybar-Omnia Partners Public Sector Overview
- 2023 Graybar – Omnia

Next Steps/Schedule: If authorized, City Administration will enter into an agreement with the recommended bank.