



CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE COMMUNICATION

MEETING DATE: 03/07/2023

PRESENTER: Keshnel Penny, CIO – Information Technology

TITLE: Purchase of two Cisco firewalls and upgrade service from Flair Data Systems in the amount of \$65,911.08 through a national cooperative agreement with DIR

REVIEWING COMMITTEE: (Reviewed by the Finance & Government Committee on 03/07/2023)

SUMMARY:

<i>Vendor Name</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>
Flair Data Systems	\$65,911.08

PURPOSE OF REQUEST:

Purchase of two Cisco firewalls and upgrade services to replace the old firewalls. These next-generation firewalls will help protect the city's technology resources from cyber threats. In addition, these firewalls will increase the reliability, integrity, and availability of the city's networks and technology resources.

Three DIR-awarded cooperative vendors were sent a request for a quote. Flair Data was the best value for the city.

Chapter 271.102 of the Local Government Code authorizes local governments to participate in a cooperative purchasing program with another local government or local cooperative organization. In lieu of competitive bidding, items, and services may be purchased through such agreements as the agreements have already been bid by the sponsoring entity or agency. The City of Grand Prairie has master inter-local cooperative agreements with various entities, including DIR.

PROCUREMENT DETAILS:

Procurement Method: ☒ Cooperative/Interlocal ☐ RFQ ☐ Sole Source ☐ Professional Services
☐ Exempt

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

Budgeted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fund Name:	IT CIP Fund
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