



AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY

MEETING NAME:	City Council
MEETING DATE:	May 5, 2025
ITEM TITLE:	Consider and take appropriate action on Resolution 2025-017 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOLFFORTH, TEXAS AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP AND PARTICIPATION IN OMNIA PARTNERS COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE
STAFF INITIATOR:	Rick Scott, ACM and Patrick Austin, Chief of Police

BACKGROUND:

This commentary is for the following two agenda items.

As we continue to implement new purchasing policies and practices, we are evaluating existing cooperative purchasing agreements that the city is a member of and researching new ones that would benefit the city.

Through this ongoing process, we have identified an agreement that needs to be updated, and we have found a new cooperative that would benefit the city.

Update needed: Omnia Partners is a Cooperative Administrator for a Group Purchasing Organization offering a wide range of contracts across various industries with a large network of suppliers. The city originally entered into an agreement with this company in 1999. The agreement between the city and Omnia Partners needs to be updated. The resolution accompanying this commentary will authorize the city to enter into a new agreement. There is no cost for the city to enter into this agreement with Omnia Partners.

New Cooperative: The US General Services Administration (GSA) offers multiple purchasing platforms, including GSA Advantage. GSA Advantage is the government's top online ordering system. It provides access to GSA Schedule contractors, products, and services allowing government agencies, including local agencies, to search using keywords, national stock numbers, contract numbers and vendor names, compare features, prices, delivery options, and place orders electronically. Benefits of joining this cooperative include:

- GSA can negotiate better prices for goods and services, resulting in significant cost savings for the city.
- GSA streamlines the procurement process, reducing the time and effort required to source and purchase items.
- GSA ensures that all procurement procedures comply with state and federal regulations.

- GSA offers access to a wide range of vendors, many of whom we already use. This offers a diverse selection of vendors and contracts providing the city with access to high-quality products and services.

EXHIBITS:

Resolution 2025-017

Resolution 2025-018

Master Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement – Omnia Partners

Information Brochure - GSA

COUNCIL ACTION/STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff would recommend approving resolutions