

## AGENDA



Thursday, June 24, 2010

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 47**

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**Subject:** Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the County Information Resources Agency, an interlocal government agency, to allow the City of Austin to become a member of the County Information Resources Agency.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** There is no cost to become a member of this agency.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**For More Information:** Mick Osborne, Specialist Sr. Buyer/974-2995

**MBE/WBE:** This Interlocal Agreement is exempt from the MBE/WBE Ordinance. This exemption is in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.

Related to the Fusion Project – Austin Regional Intelligence Center (ARIC).

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This Interlocal Agreement will authorize the City of Austin to become a member of the County Information Resources Agency (CIRA), whose members include Texas counties and other local governments. CIRA was created to provide central, cooperative, and coordinated assistance and services to its members relating to information resources and technologies and to increase efficiencies and improve the quality, reliability, and interoperability of their information resources, technologies, and services.

CIRA members work together in matters related to information resources and technologies such as sharing information and best practices, conducting planning and feasibility studies, establishing software, hardware, and data standards, and providing technical assistance, training and cooperative procurement.

Becoming a member of CIRA allows the City to participate in the programs and services offered through CIRA including, but not limited to technology planning, software purchases, training and other technology related assistance.

Separate actions are being presented to City Council for 1) participation in the CIRA County Connect Program, 2) the purchase of criminal justice software and 3) the related implementation services.

This agreement is entered into under the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code.