Thursday, March 3, 2011

## Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 22

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a 36-month contract with OVERDRIVE, INC., Cleveland, OH, for downloadable materials in amount not to exceed \$450,000, with one 24-month extension option in amount not to exceed \$300,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$750,000. Overdrive, Inc. is the sole source provider for these materials.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$87,500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Operating Budget of the Austin Public Library Department. Funding for the remaining thirty months of the initial contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

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

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**MBE/WBE:** This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D 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 solicitation.

This contract is to provide downloadable materials for the Austin Public Library customers. Services and digital content materials will enable the library to lend downloadable audiobooks, eBooks, music, video, and other digital content through the Library's internet site. Downloadable video materials include documentaries, travelogues, feature films and concerts for use with the same integrated desktop client that supports audiobooks and music titles. There are also downloadable audiobooks and music with accessibility features for the blind and visually impaired. In addition to downloadable materials, Library staff will be provided with Internet-accessible tools to control digital book lending, and to manage access and use of materials. Staff will also have access to real-time circulation and other statistical reports.