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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	10261	Agenda Number	49.
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Meeting Date:	October 20, 2011
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract through U. S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance with SERVICEWEAR APPAREL, Nashville, TN, for the purchase of industrial and uniform clothing items in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011–2012 Operating Budgets of various using City departments. Funding for the extension option is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	Cooperative Contract
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Prior Council Action:	
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MBE / WBE:	This Cooperative Purchase is exempt from the MBE /WBE Ordinance. This exemption is 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.
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Related Items:	
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Additional Backup Information

This contract will provide a source for various City departments to purchase industrial and uniform clothing items for employee on the job use on an as-needed basis. This is an interim contract to be used while the City creates city wide contracts for public safety and non public safety uniforms.

Service Wear Apparel is contracted through the U. S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance as its exclusive uniform distributor. By providing a comprehensive range of high-quality apparel from leading brands, ServiceWear Apparel can fulfill the unique apparel needs of various organizations and public agencies. Products include woven and knit shirts, pants, shorts, outerwear, coveralls, lab coats, hospitality wear, enhanced visibility wear, flame resistant wear, and protective gear. By using innovative fibers, fabrics, and finishes, these garments are fully customizable to ensure that each uniform and garment correctly and professionally identifies each agency appropriately.

The U. S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance is a non-profit government purchasing cooperative. It was formed by the National Association of Counties (NACO), the National Institute of Government Purchasing, Inc. (NIGP), the National League of Cities, the Association of School Business Officials International, and the United States Conference of Mayors. Non-profit organizations can use the U. S. Communities program in addition to counties, cities, special districts, schools, universities and colleges, towns, villages and state agencies. All contracts are competitively solicited by a lead public agency, and contracts incorporate benchmarking analysis and third party audits.