

## AGENDA



## Recommendation for Council Action

## AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: November 29, 2018

Item Number: 025

## Purchasing Office

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the Minnesota Multistate Contracting Alliance for Pharmacy, a governmental group purchasing organization, to allow the City to participate in this organization's cooperative purchasing program to purchase various types of goods and services offered on contracts available to the City. (Note: This contract is exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

<b>Lead Department</b>	Purchasing Office.
<b>Fiscal Note</b>	This item has no fiscal impact
<b>Purchasing Language</b>	Interlocal Agreement.
<b>For More Information</b>	Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or <a href="mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov">AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov</a> or to John Hilbun, at 512-974-1054 or <a href="mailto:john.hilbun@austintexas.gov">john.hilbun@austintexas.gov</a> .
<b>Client Department(s)</b>	All City departments.

**Additional Backup Information:**

The interlocal agreement will allow the City to participate in the purchase of various goods and services using contracts already in place through the Minnesota Multistate Contracting Alliance for Pharmacy (MMCAP). Through national solicitations, MMCAP provides the opportunity for members to purchase goods and services through nationally leveraged and competitively bid contracts that result in volume discounts.

MMCAP is a free, voluntary group purchasing organization for government facilities that provide healthcare services. MMCAP has contracts available for cooperative purchasing including pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, drug testing, returned goods processing, vaccines, and dental supplies.

An interlocal agreement is an agreement between governmental entities (federal, state, local government, university, school district or other qualified cooperative organization) establishing the legal grounds for participating governmental entities to establish and share cooperative contracts. The City enters into interlocal agreements to access the cooperative contracts of other governmental entities, as well as to share the City's cooperative contracts with other governmental entities.

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