



**Purchasing Contract
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract through the Interlocal Agreement with Fairfax County, Virginia as part of the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, with HERMAN MILLER, AUSTIN, TX, for the purchase and installation of furniture for George Washington Carver Museum and Cultural Center and Carver Branch Public Library in an amount not to exceed \$130,627.35.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$130,627.35 is available in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Approved Capital Budget of the Library Department and Parks and Recreation Department.

FISCAL NOTE: A fiscal note is attached.

REQUESTING Purchasing
DEPARTMENT: for Library;

DIRECTOR'S
AUTHORIZATION: Vickie Schubert

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Sanchez, Buyer, 974-3266

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: 11/03/98 Approval of Bond Issue for the design, construction, and furnishing of George Washington Carver Museum Cultural Center & Carver Branch Library.

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Purchasing Cooperative.

MBE / WBE: N/A

This furniture purchase is required to provide new furniture for George Washington Carver Museum and Cultural Center and Carver Branch Public Library. The contract will consist of the purchase of freestanding conventional furniture and systems furniture for the offices and public areas, for both the buildings.

On November 3, 1998, the voters approved a bond issue for the design, construction, and furnishing of George Washington Carver Museum Cultural Center and the Carver Branch Library. These two buildings are located in Kealing Park and are designed and being constructed as one project.

The U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance was designed in cooperation with an Advisory Board of local government purchasing officials across the United States and is sponsored by the National Association of Counties, the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, the National League of Cities and the United States Conference of Mayors. These entities pool the purchasing power of public agencies to achieve greater volume discounts on behalf of participating public agencies. Fairfax County, Virginia was the lead participating agency that issued a competitive solicitation and awarded contracts to various furniture manufacturers that provide a purchasing forum for public agencies nationwide.

The new, 28,000 square foot George Washington Carver Museum Cultural Center will provide exhibit gallery space including a children's gallery, multi-purpose class rooms, theatre, archival storage, staff



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offices, visitor support areas, a museum souvenir store, conference rooms, storage rooms, restrooms, a kitchen and an entrance lobby.

The Carver Branch Library will be a 16,000 square foot library after an addition is built and renovation of the existing library is completed. The library will provide services to adults and children in the surrounding East Austin neighborhoods. These services include: an increased number of computer workstations, expanded meeting room space, additional restrooms, workspace for the new study and reading areas and the Dell "Wired for Youth" Program. The project includes space for check out, reference books, children's programming, study and reading areas, automatic catalog accessing, Internet terminals, computer training and the Victory Tutoring program. It also includes other support functions such as multipurpose rooms for large group meetings, offices and storage rooms.

The Kealing Park site has been improved so that existing walk routes are maintained. It has been modified to create a campus-like environment with shared parking for the users of the facilities and the park. Other site features include planters, a bus drop-off area, seats, improved lighting and a fountain.

**CIP BUDGET
FISCAL NOTE**

DATE OF COUNCIL ACTION:
WHERE ON AGENDA:
DEPARTMENT:

01/15/2004
RESOLUTION
LIBRARY

DESCRIPTION: Authorize negotiation and execution of a contract through the Interlocal Agreement with Fairfax County, Virginia as part of the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, with HERMAN MILLER, AUSTIN, TX, for the purchase and installation of library and museum furniture in an amount not to exceed \$130,627.35.

Parent Project Name: Carver Branch Library Expansion
Project Authorization: 2003-2004 Approved Capital Budget
Funding Source: CIP Interest
Fund/Agency/Org: 8410-857-0009

Current Appropriation:	\$578,000
Unencumbered Balance:	\$508,014
Amount of this Action:	(\$ 21,107)
Remaining Balance:	\$486,907

Use of Remaining Balance: Remaining funds will be used for equipment, furniture, and materials acquisition to complete the project.

Parent Project Name: Library ADA Furniture
Project Authorization: 2003-2004 Approved Capital Budget
Funding Source: CIP Interest
Fund/Agency/Org: 8410-857-0022

Current Appropriation:	\$ 89,256
Unencumbered Balance:	\$ 44,005
Amount of this Action:	(\$ 44,005)
Remaining Balance:	\$ 0

Use of Remaining Balance: No funds remaining after this action.

Austin Public Library Financial Manager:

Signature

M. E. G. [Signature]
for Herman Miller

Date:

12/23/03

**CIP BUDGET
FISCAL NOTE**

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:
WHERE ON AGENDA:
DEPARTMENT:

1/15/2004
Resolution not required
Parks and Recreation

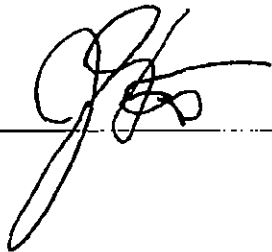
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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Project Name:	Carver Museum
Project Authorization:	2003-2004 Approved Capital Budget
Funding Source:	1998 GO Bonds P4
Fund/Agency/Orgn:	8101-867-0048

Current Appropriation	\$10,357,600.00
Unencumbered Balance	\$1,039,841.83
Amount of this Action	<u>(\$65,514.95)</u>
Remaining Balance	<u>\$974,326.88</u>

Financial Manager: _____



Date: _____

12/30/03