



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

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a contract through the State of Texas, Texas Building and Procurement Commission, with HAWORTH INCORPORATED, Austin, TX, and their authorized distributor FURNITURE MARKETING GROUP, Austin, TX, for the purchase and installation of modular systems for built-in cubicle arrangements including wall panels, desk tops, and cabinets in an amount not to exceed \$164,414.44.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$146,056.90 is available in the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Approved One Texas Center Fund of the Financial Services Department. Funding in the amount of \$18,357.54 is available in the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Approved Operating Budget of the Economic Growth and Redevelopment Services Department.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Purchasing	DIRECTOR'S
DEPARTMENT: for Financial and	AUTHORIZATION: <u>Vickie Schubert</u>
Administrative Services;	
Public Works; Economic	
Growth and	
Redevelopment Services;	

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PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Purchasing Cooperative.

MBE / WBE: N/A

This contract will provide for modular panel walls and modular office furniture to furnish 88 offices for the relocation of the One Stop Shop of the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department's Development Assistance Center, Zoning Review and Permit Center, Austin Fire Department's Inspections, Austin Water Utility Department's Taps Inspections, and Economic Growth and Redevelopment Services Office's Small Business Center to One Texas Center building. The space at One Texas Center has 33,760 square feet and includes approximately 88 modular offices and workstations with conference/training rooms, planning room and records storage areas. The free standing furniture which is currently being used by these departments is over 20 years old and is too bulky to be used to accommodate everyone in the new space at One Texas Center. The new panels and furniture will allow the new space to be configured to accommodate everyone in the single location.

The new location will allow the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department, Austin Fire Department, Austin Water Utility Department, and Small Business Center to consolidate their permit, inspection and small business services staff into a single location at One Texas Center building. Currently, Watershed Protection and Development Review Department has inspections located at One



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Texas Center, the Austin Fire Department located at Pleasant Valley Road, and Austin Water Utility and Economic Growth and Redevelopment Services Office located at Ed Bluestein Boulevard.

The local authorized dealer, Furniture Marketing Group, will provide and install the furniture for the manufacturer Haworth Inc. Haworth is under contract with the Texas Building and Procurement Commission (TBPC) to supply modular furniture statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process through TBPC.