

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	71442	Agenda Number	42.
Meeting Date:	June 15, 2017				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with NATIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING ALLIANCE COMPANY to allow for cooperative procurement of goods and services. Related to Item #43.

Amount and Source of Funding

Procurements under this interlocal agreement will not be made unless funds are available in appropriate departmental budgets.

Fiscal Note A fiscal note is not required. **Purchasing** Interlocal Agreement Language: **Prior Council** Action: Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or For More AgendaOffice@ austintexas.gov or to the buyer, Marian Moore, at 512-974-2062 or Information: Marian.Moore@austintexas.gov Boards and Commission Action: **Related Items:** Interlocal agreements are exempt from City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women MBE / WBE: Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established. Additional Backup Information

The interlocal agreement will allow the City to participate in the purchase of various goods and services through the use of contracts already in place through the National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance Company (National IPA) cooperative purchase program. Through competitive solicitations from multiple lead agencies, National IPA provides the opportunity for members to purchase equipment, goods, and services through nationally leveraged and competitively bid contracts that result in volume discounts.

National IPA is a public agency that serves more than 48,000 entities across the country with contracts available for the purchase of goods and services such as automotive parts, office furniture, office equipment, emergency response equipment, and heavy equipment.

A cooperative contract is a commercial contract that was competitively solicited and awarded by one government entity (federal, state, local government, university, school district or other qualified cooperative organization) and made available to other governmental entities. The City uses cooperative contracts when advantageous to do so due to their volume discount pricing, preferential terms and conditions, and administrative cost savings.

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.

The agreement is entered into under the provision of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter, 791, Texas Government Code.