



Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-3438, **Agenda Item #:** 45.

11/14/2019

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the National Association of State Procurement Officials, 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).

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

All City departments.

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

Purchasing Language:

Interlocal Agreement.

For More Information:

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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 National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO). Through competitive solicitations from multiple lead agencies, NASPO provides the opportunity for members to purchase equipment, goods and services through nationally leveraged and competitively bid contracts that result in volume discounts.

NASPO is a non-profit association dedicated to advancing public procurement through leadership, excellence, and integrity. NASPO facilitates administration of the NASPO cooperative group contracting consortium of state Chief Procurement Officials for the benefit of state departments, institutions, agencies, and political subdivisions; as well as other eligible entities including cities, counties, special districts, community colleges, universities, and some quasi-governmental and nonprofit organizations.

An interlocal agreement is an agreement between government entities (federal, state, local government, university, school district or other qualified cooperative organization) establishing the legal grounds for participating government 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.