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Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR RESOLUTIONS TO SUSPEND FORMAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND AUTHORIZE PURCHASING OF SERVICES FOR 1) DATABASE MAINTENANCE AND THREE COMPUTER-OUTPUT-MICROFILM CATALOG EDITIONS FROM AUTO-GRAPHICS, INCORPORATED, AND 2) ON-LINE CATALOGING AND DATABASE MAINTENANCE FROM CALIFORNIA AUTHORITY FOR SYSTEMS AND SERVICES (CLASS).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Since July 1978, the Library has used the services of Auto-Graphics, Inc., to create and maintain a database containing information describing the Library's holdings. In addition, Auto-Graphics, Inc. has produced periodically updated editions of this information in a Computer-Output Microfilm (COM) Catalog.

It would not be in the best interests of the Library or the City to consider competitive bidding and the possible selection of a new COM Catalog vendor. The services of Auto-Graphics, Inc. have proven satisfactory over the past three years, and, furthermore, contracting with a new vendor would certainly require the retraining of staff, modifications of forms and input procedures, and the inevitable difficulties of working "bugs" out of a new computer program.

In May 1980, the Library was awarded a grant under the Library Services and Construction Act (LSCA) to purchase appropriate equipment for creating and maintaining an on-line catalog database.

In November, 1980, the City Council resolved to suspend competitive bidding for these on-line services because they were available in California only from the California Authority for Systems and Services (CLASS) as broker for computer services of the Research Libraries Information Network (RLIN), headquartered at Stanford University. Due to unforeseen delays, on-line equipment has only just been installed (June 5, 1981), so the Library has no experience as yet with RLIN's services. However, they are still the sole available source of services for maintaining an on-line catalog.

FINANCIAL DATA


The Library's 1981-82 budget includes \$89,940 in item 4287, "Other Specialized Services" to cover the cost of both on-line and batch mode cataloging and database maintenance. This represents \$9,315 for database maintenance by Auto-Graphics and RLIN, \$49,105 for production of three COM catalogs by Auto-graphics, and \$31,520 for on-line cataloging and equipment maintenance via RLIN.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is therefore the recommendation of the Library Department that the City Council adopt resolutions (attached) suspending formal competitive bidding and authorizing the City Manager to extend both the present contract with Auto-Graphics, Incorporated and the Cooperative Agreement with CLASS through June 30, 1982.

Respectfully submitted,


H. D. Martelle, Jr.
City-County Librarian

Recommendation Approved:


Walter J. Slipe
City Manager

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Attachments A/S

cc: Department of Finance
Purchasing

June 23, 1981
All Districts

RESOLUTION NO. 81-452

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL ON DATE OF

RESOLUTION SUSPENDING FORMAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
AND AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES
FOR AN ON-LINE CATALOG FOR THE CITY LIBRARY

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

1. That the California Library Authority for Systems and Services (CLASS), as computer services broker for Research Libraries Information Network (RLIN), is presently the sole available source of on-line cataloging services with the potential for putting an existing data base into the computer;

2. That it is in the best interest of the City to suspend competitive bidding for the purchase of on-line cataloging services for the City Library; and

3. That the City Manager and the City Clerk are authorized and directed to extend the agreement with California Authority for Systems and Services (CLASS) to purchase services for an on-line cataloging system for the City Library.

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RESOLUTION SUSPENDING FORMAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
FOR SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO
EXECUTE A CONTRACT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO,
TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF ALL MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR THEREOF:

That pursuant to Section 57.401 (c) of the Sacramento
City Code, it is determined to be in the best interest of
the City to suspend formal competitive bidding for the
purchase of services and that the City Manager is authorized
to execute a contract with Auto-Graphics, Incorporated for
three (3) computer-output microfilm library catalogs and
necessary data base maintenance.

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