



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

File #: 15-4152, **Version:** 1

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Contract Compliance

Vendor: Colette Holt & Associates, Oakland, California

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to extend contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Disparity Study

Original Contract Period: 7/8/2013 - 7/7/2014

Proposed Contract Period Extension: 7/8/2015 - 1/7/2016

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$673,506.50

Original Approval (Board or Procurement): 6/19/2013, \$673,506.00, 7/8/2013 - 7/7/2014

Previous Board Increase(s) or Extension(s): N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s) or Extension(s): 10/17/2014, 7/8/2014 - 7/7/2015

This Increase Requested: NA

Potential Fiscal Impact: NA

Accounts: 490-260

Contract Number(s): 1318-12703

Concurrences:

The vendor has met the Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

Summary: The additional time is needed to finalize the Disparity Study. The Study includes a comprehensive statistical analysis based on the County's procurement history. The consultant collects, sorts, researches and analyzes data gathered and will use a custom census methodology as recommended in the National Disparity Study Guidelines, to accurately estimate minority- and women-owned business enterprise (M/WBE) availability. Using these estimates, the Consultant will calculate a disparity index using regression analysis.

The Consultant is conducting three separate disparity studies due to the fact that each agency (the County, Cook County Health and Hospitals System, and the Forest Preserve District) has difference procurement needs. The objective of the disparity study is to have statistically reliable data relevant to each agency to validate its M/WBE program and ensure the programs are defensible in court, if challenged.

This is a Comparable Government Procurement pursuant to Section 34-140 of the Procurement Code. Colette Holt was previously awarded a contract by the State of Illinois through a competitive Request for Proposals process.