



Sole Source Acquisition Request

1. Fully describe the product(s) and/or service(s) being requested.

It is anticipated that the BOS will continue their approval in the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget at a funding level of \$100,000 for Economic Development Corporation serving Fresno County (EDC) to provide economic development services to promote and market the resources and economy of Fresno County. The agreement represents partial funding for EDC to provide businesses technical assistance to encourage the location of new industry, existing business retention and expansion with the cities and unincorporated communities of Fresno County. Additional services include maintenance, monitoring and drafting any required revisions to the County's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for County approval and help the County achieve its economic development objectives as set forth in the CEDS and administer the County Strategy Committee.

2. Identify the selected vendor and contact person; include the address, phone number and e-mail address for each.

EDC contact is William Oliver, President/CEO, woliver@fresnoedc.com, (559) 476-2518, 1060 Fulton Street, Fourth Floor, Fresno, CA 93721

3. What is the total cost of the acquisition? If an agreement, state the total cost of the initial term and the amounts for potential renewal terms.

\$100,000 from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

4. Identify the unique qualities and/or capabilities of the service(s) and/or product(s) that qualify this as a sole source acquisition.

The recommended agreement is consistent with the Board's August 26, 2014 assignment of the County's current economic development responsibilities to EDC as detailed in question No. 1 above, and consistent with the FY 2024-25 Recommended Budget to continue providing partial funding for EDC's continuing efforts to implement economic development and marketing programs, promote job creating in the County and is consistent with the economic development element in the County's General Plan. Appropriations will be included in Org 2540, Account 7845-Support of Organizations-Economic Development. Based on the services required by the County, EDC has been determined to be the only vendor suited, equipped and authorized to perform economic development tasks and activities in Fresno County.

5. Explain why the unique qualities and/or capabilities described above are essential to your department.
See No. 4

6. Provide a comprehensive explanation of the research done to verify that there is only a sole vendor that is capable of providing the required service(s) and/or product(s). Include a list of all other vendors contacted with regard to providing the requested product(s) and/or service(s) and indicate their response.

As the ongoing expert in the economic development of Fresno County, as well as the drafter of the County's CEDS, the EDC is the only vendor suited to provide the specific services and economic development objectives of Fresno County.

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Requested By:

Sr. Admin. Analyst

Title

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I approve this request to sole source for the service(s) and/or product(s) identified herein.



Department Head Signature

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