City of Carrollton



Legislation Text

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TO: Leonard Martin, City Manager

FROM: Ashley D. Mitchell, Administrative Services Director

Consider Approval Of The Purchase Of An Open Performance Subscription And Professional Services From Socrata, Inc. Through An Existing State Of Texas Department Of Information Resources (DIR) Reseller Contract With Dell Marketing, L.P. In An Amount Not To Exceed \$72,000.00 for 3 years (\$24,000.00 Per Year) With Optional 1-Year Renewals.

BACKGROUND:

In an effort for the city to be more transparent, staff has been exploring vendors that provide open government platforms. After reviewing several demos and talking to other cities, staff recommends Socrata's open data platform. Socrata will provide the city and the citizens with an electronic dashboard for performance measurement. Citizens and staff can review, compare, visualize, and analyze data in order to see how the organization is performing.

The first four departments to be deployed will be Police, Fire, Building Inspection and Finance.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

This agreement is for 3 years with ongoing renewals. The annual cost to the City is \$24,000, or \$72,000 for the first three years. Funding will be available through the PEG revenues (Public Educational, and Government fees assessed to cable subscribers), which must be used for public education and information, including equipment and technical support.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Staff recommends approval of the purchase of an Open Performance Subscription and Professional Services from Socrata, Inc.