

JUSTIFICATION FOR AWARD WITHOUT COMPETITION

(To be completed and submitted by the Office of Procurement)

Based upon the following determination, the proposed procurement action described below is being procured pursuant to the authority of Section 11-35-1560 of the SC Procurement Code and 19-445.2105 of the Rules and Regulations, 1976 SC Code of Laws.

Why does the governmental body need this item or service: (description of the agency need that this procurement meets):

The College purchased an existing student housing facility and needs to provide internet/WiFi service to our on-campus resident students per our housing contracts. Wireless internet service must be at a minimum of 100Mbps and 75 Mbps upload speeds.

As a sole source procurement for \$ 103,138.20 (estimated 3 year ~~front~~ cost)(name of sole source contractor): Comcast

Description of market research Agency has performed to determine the availability of products or services that would meet the Agency's needs:

Any other service provider would have to install new infrastructure to provide the service. This would require financial resources the College does not have budgeted.

Description of supplies, construction, information technology, and/or services Vendor will provide under the contract:

5G dedicated service providing wi-fi for 63 units with a minimum of 100Mbps and 75 Mbps upload speeds.

Detailed explanation why no other vendor's supplies, construction, information technology, and/or services will meet the needs of the Agency:

Infrastructure upgrades would require human and financial resources that are not available at this time. Also, timing would be challenging to ready the building between summer move-out and Fall move-in in early August.

In accordance with the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement section 11-35-1560 - Sole Source, the College of Charleston announced the intent to award without Competition. No protests were received.

Solicitation# 25-82-SDM-SS-T3

Contract Expiration Date: 04/30/2028

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If this procurement is \$50,000 or greater, the Drug Free Workplace Act (§ 44-107-10, et Seq. Code of Laws of SC) applies, the acceptance of a Purchase Order signifies the Vendor certification that they are in compliance with the Drug Free Workplace Act.

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