
#### Abstract

AN ORDINANCE TO DISPENSE WITH COMPETITIVE BIDS DUE TO AN EXCEPTIONAL SITUATION; TO AWARD AN AGREEMENT WITH OPTIV SECURITY, INC., FOR SECURITY AWARENESS TRAINING FOR CITY EMPLOYEES, IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$32,500.00); TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.


WHEREAS, Security Awareness Training is a crucial component of annual PCI Data Security Standard compliance and the security audits for the City's Finance Department and Police Department and is required of government entities that participate in programs like the City of Little Rock does; and,

WHEREAS, such training has to be not only complete, but also accessible by a variety of individuals who work for the City and are involved with certain financial transactions; and,

WHEREAS, after careful review of available potential products the Information Technology Department was only able to find a limited number of companies that could provide the necessary material in a format that best works with the City's Information Technology System; and,

WHEREAS, after this research it was determined that only Optiv Security, Inc., provides the necessary and flexible system needed for various City employees and Departments; and,

WHEREAS, comprehensive security awareness training that addresses the City's specific needs is critical to the protection of the City's network and data; and,

WHEREAS, it would be impracticable and infeasible to submit to competitive bidding a product that only one company can provide, and thus would be contrary to the public interest to hire any data security company other than Optiv Security, Inc., to provide the training content needed for the City's network and database;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The Board of Directors dispenses with the requirement of competitive bids or selections for security awareness training programs for City employees.

Section 2. The City Manager is authorized to enter into an agreement with Optiv Security, Inc., for Online Security Awareness Training for all City employees who have access to the City's network or handle payment card information, in the amount of Thirty-Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars ( $\$ 32,500.00$ ) plus applicable taxes.

Section 3. Funds for this service are available in the Little Rock Information Technology Department's Annual Operating Budget.

Section 4. Severability. In the event any portion of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part of this ordinance.

Section 5. Repealer. All ordinances and resolutions, and parts thereof, which are in conflict with any provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 6. Emergency Clause. As has been demonstrated in the annual City financial audit, the need for certain security training is mandated for a municipality that participates in certain programs and accepts certain funds, and that such training in critical to the public health, safety, and welfare; an emergency is, therefore, declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.
PASSED: October 20, 2015

## ATTEST:

## Susan Langley, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

## APPROVED:

## Mark Stodola, Mayor

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Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney
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