SUBJECT: RFP NO. 2017-090 - LABORATORY INFORMATION SOLUTION FOR TARRANT COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH - CHEMWARE, LLC - $518,563.00

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED:

It is requested that the Commissioners Court award RFP No. 2017-090, Laboratory Information Solution for Tarrant County Public Health, to ChemWare, LLC for $518,563.00 and approve contract.

BACKGROUND:

Notice of the County’s intent to bid was advertised in local newspapers, as required by State statute, and posted on the Internet, the Arlington Black Chamber of Commerce, the Fort Worth Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the Fort Worth Metropolitan Black Chamber of Commerce, and the Tarrant County Asian American Chamber of Commerce. One thousand one hundred ten (1,110) vendors were contacted and requested to participate in this proposal process. All documents pertaining to this RFP were posted on the Tarrant County website and were downloaded by interested parties. A pre-proposal conference held on April 26, 2017 was attended by four (4) vendors as well as representatives from Public Health, Information Technology, and Purchasing. Two (2) proposals were received.

Proposals were evaluated by Public Health, Information Technology, and Purchasing representatives. Evaluations were based upon the criteria and processes set forth in the RFP. The alternate response from ChemWare, LLC for a Software as a Service (SaaS) Solution was deemed non-responsive for failing to meet specific system database requirements.

The two (2) responding firms were invited to provide presentations to the evaluation committee on June 21 and 22, 2017. Those firms were rescored based on the criteria and processes set forth in the RFP specifications. The proposal received from ChemWare, LLC meets all specifications and is acceptable to Public Health and Information Technology.

The term of the contract is twelve (12) months, effective October 17, 2017, with two (2) options for renewal periods of twelve (12) months.
Therefore, it is the joint recommendation of Public Health, Information Technology, and Purchasing that RFP No. 2017-090, Laboratory Information Solution for Tarrant County Public Health, be awarded to ChemWare, LLC for $518,563.00.

The contract is attached for approval and signature. The Criminal District Attorney’s Office reviewed this contract as to form.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funding in the amount of $408,585.00 is available in account 541011/T0450-2018/5100011000.

Year 2 and 3 Annual Maintenance fees in the amount of $54,989.00 per year will be requested in future fiscal periods.