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SUBJECT: **RFQ NO. 2017-129 - ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR MANAGED NETWORK AND IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY - VARIOUS VENDORS**

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED:

It is requested that the Commissioners Court grant approval to conduct negotiations for RFQ No. 2017-129, Annual Contract for Managed Network and Implementation Services, for Information Technology, with the following firms based upon each firm's high ranking in the evaluation procedure:

1. Netsync Network Solutions
2. General Datatech, L.P.

BACKGROUND:

Notice of the County's intent to request for qualifications 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. Five hundred thirty (530) vendors were contacted and requested to participate in this process. All documents pertaining to this RFQ were posted on the Tarrant County website and were downloaded by interested parties. Four (4) responses and two (2) no-responses were received.

Responses were evaluated by Information Technology and Purchasing representatives and ranked based on the criteria and processes set forth in the RFQ. The responses received from AT&T Corp. and Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc. were deemed non-responsive for failure to supply the information for their references as required in the RFQ.

The responses from both firms meet all specifications and are acceptable to Information Technology. A contract for each project will be negotiated with the top ranking firm. If negotiations fail with the top firm, then Tarrant County will initiate negotiations with the next top ranked firm.

SUBMITTED BY: Purchasing

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APPROVED BY:



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The term of the contract is twelve (12) months, effective August 1, 2017, with two (2) options for Renewal periods of twelve (12) months each.

Based upon each firm's high ranking in the evaluation procedure, it is the joint recommendation of Information Technology and Purchasing that the Commissioners Court grant approval to engage in negotiations for RFQ No. 2017-129, Annual Contract for Managed Network and Implementation Services, with the firms listed above.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.