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Non-Competitive Selection Request

Requisition Number
N/A

Fund
1400 CAPITAL PROJECT

Major		
548**	Grants/Loans/Insurance/Other	Services
53*** Supplies/Goods		

Agency
Information Technology

Total Purchase Amount
\$ 180,000.00

Vendor Name
Metropolitan Unified Fiber Network Consortium (MUFN)

Product/Service Description
Fiber network install around the City to support City services.

Exception Criteria
7. A particular consultant has provided services to the City on a similar or continuing project in the recent past, and it would be economical to the City on the basis of time and money to retain the same consultant.

Reason For Request
The Metropolitan Unified Fiber Network Consortium, Unincorporated Association (MUFN-C) is a local collaborative fiber-optic network serving education, health, government, libraries, non-profit, and other anchor institutions in the Dane County Area by providing middle-mile fiber infrastructure which unifies and augments existing telecom resources to facilitate enhanced Internet, point-to-point connectivity, and application sharing. Under the MUFN-C Articles of Association, the City of Madison is one of the initial flagship member organizations of MUFN-C and as such, has an appointed standing seat on the MUFN-C Oversight Committee. MUFN-C members financially collaborate on fiber builds to reduce costs for members and to increase fiber expansion on the MUFN network. The project slated for 2026 is one that could cost the City upwards of \$500,000 alone, however, in collaboration with MUFN, the City will pay

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\$180,000 for 2026.

This non-compete is for more than just this project as stated in the resolution.

Requestor

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Comments

The City of Madison has paid the Metropolitan Unified Fiber Network Consortium a total of \$5,443.75 since 2023 through three small purchases, under the threshold requiring competitive selection.