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**SUBJECT: BID NO. 2023-007 - ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR LABORATORY
TEST KITS AND REAGENTS FOR CLINICAL TESTING - PUBLIC
HEALTH - VARIOUS VENDORS - EXERCISE FIRST AND FINAL
OPTION FOR RENEWAL - SAME FIRM FIXED PRICES**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve renewal of Bid No. 2023-007, Annual Contract for Laboratory Test Kits and Reagents for Clinical Testing, for the first and final optional twelve (12) month period at the same firm fixed prices to the following vendors:

Primary	McKesson Medical-Surgical Government Solutions LLC	5 of 9 Items
	Fisher Healthcare	3 of 9 Items
	Chembio Diagnostics, Inc.	1 of 9 Items
Secondary	Fisher Healthcare	5 of 9 Items
	Mercedes Medical LLC, d/b/a Mercedes Scientific	1 of 9 Items
Alternate	Mercedes Medical LLC, d/b/a Mercedes Scientific	3 of 9 Items

BACKGROUND

On November 8, 2022, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #139651, awarded Bid No. 2023-007, Annual Contract for Laboratory Test kits and Reagents for Clinical Testing, for Public Health, to the following vendors:

Primary	McKesson Medical-Surgical Government Solutions LLC	9 of 9 Items
Secondary	Fisher Healthcare	7 of 9 Items
	Nerfherder Distribution, LLC	2 of 9 Items
Alternate	Mercedes Medical LLC, d/b/a Mercedes Scientific	3 of 9 Items
	Chembio Diagnostics, Inc.	1 of 9 Items
	Fisher Healthcare	1 of 9 Items

The awards were based upon low bid meeting specifications and contained an option to renew for one (1) additional twelve (12) month period.

SUBMITTED BY: Purchasing

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The test reagents and supplies for the Tarrant County Public Health North Texas Regional Laboratory are used to perform testing to support the Tarrant County Public Health clinics in the diagnosis of disease. The purpose of the contract is to lock in pricing for an extended period of time and to streamline the repeated ordering of these reagents and supplies over the contract period for more efficient use of time and funds involved in the acquisition process.

McKesson Medical-Surgical Government Solutions LLC elected not to renew items 3, 6, 7 and 9. Nerfherder Distribution, LLC elected not to renew. The remaining vendors notified Purchasing in writing that their prices will remain firm through January 13, 2025. Public Health notified Purchasing in writing that they are pleased with the remaining vendors and want to renew.

Therefore, it is the joint recommendation of Public Health and Purchasing that the Commissioners Court approve renewal of Bid No. 2023-007, Annual Contract for Laboratory Test Kits and Reagents for Clinical Testing, for another twelve (12) month period.

FISCAL IMPACT

Expenses for last year were approximately \$51,000.00. Orders are placed on an as-needed basis.

The department has included funding in the FY 2024 budget request in account T0400-2024/5100011000/569011