

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR A
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

CONTRACT NO: RK114947

CAPTION:

PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: LiveStories (geocko, inc.)

PROGRAM AGENCY: Department of Health, Center for Policy, Planning and Evaluation

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Code §2-354.04, 27 DCMR 1304, 1700 and 1701

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The Department of Health (DC Health) is seeking a vendor to provide access to LiveStories software in order to build interactive public health data visualizations that incorporate surrounding text and increased online functionality.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:

The cost of \$24,000 for 3 2-year licenses is fair and reasonable to the District of Columbia Government. Access will be granted as soon as the Purchase Order is executed

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

LiveStories (geoco, inc.) is the only company who provides access and licenses to use LiveStories software. All customers are direct and there are no resellers. This software is vital to DC Health to support the creation of user-friendly, interactive data visualizations within online reports for key deliverables such as the DC Community Health Needs Assessment and ongoing Opioid Use Monitoring Activities. The software is tailored for use in the public health sector and integrates with other software that we currently use. Other companies offer complementary products, but are either specific only to data visualization, are not easily customizable, or have purposes not relevant to our needs (e.g. civic engagement). The anticipated cost to the District was heavily negotiated and is determined to be fair and reasonable. No formal market research was conducted because users of the software will be DC Health statisticians and epidemiologists.

5. **CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:**

I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete.

3/26/19
Date

LaQuandra S. Nesbitt
LaQuandra Nesbitt, MD MPH
Director

6. **CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING OFFICER:**

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the sole source method of procurement under the cited authority. I certify that the notice of intent to award a sole source contract was published in accordance with 27 DCMR 1304 and that no response was received. I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

Date

James Webb
Contracting Officer

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.02 or 2-354.03). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

Date

George A. Schutter, III
Chief Procurement Officer