



Legislation Text

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Legal Research
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Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a 36-month legal research subscription; authorizing the expenditure not to exceed \$1,000 per month subject to annual appropriations; and declaring an emergency.

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

Since 2016, the Law Department has subscribed to LexisNexis for electronic legal research capabilities. The current subscription, which costs \$790.58 per month, expires on February 29, 2020. The Law Department has received competitive bids from Westlaw and LexisNexis. The Law Department has compared the proposals from the leading legal research service providers and has determined that LexisNexis offers the best research tool at the lowest price with a monthly subscription rate of \$814.30. Additionally, by renewing early, the monthly price will not increase for the duration of the contract. In exchange for a 36-month commitment, LexisNexis, an Ohio Company, will provide electronic legal research systems to the Law Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into a 36-month legal research subscription with LexisNexis.

SECTION 2. That, subject to future appropriations and availability of funds, the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$1,000 per month from the General Fund, Account Code 1001-12000-1145001STDSTD, is authorized for the a legal research subscription.

SECTION 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to draw his warrant or warrants to LexisNexis Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 per month for 36 months from the above Account Code in payment of the authorized obligations upon presentation of proper vouchers.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance being an emergency measure shall be in force and effect from and after its passage. The reason for the emergency lies in the fact that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health, safety and property and for the further reason that this ordinance must be immediately effective in order to continue access legal research services which is needed to insure that the Law Department remains able to best protect the City's interests in legal matters.

Vote on emergency clause: yeas 12, nays 0.

Passed: September 17, 2019, as an emergency measure: yeas 12, nays 0.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger
Clerk of Council

Matt Cherry
President of Council

Approved:

September 17, 2019
Wade Kapszukiewicz
Mayor