

City of San Antonio Certificate of Exemption

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Certificate of Exemption

Originating Department: Library

Request Date: **04/04/2022**

Exemption Requested/Taken

The City is authorized under limited conditions to make procurements outside of the competitive solicitation process. Chapter 252 of the Local Government Code provides guidance regarding sixteen general exemptions from the competitive solicitation. Departments must submit vendor(s) quotations for any selection below. Please select one exemption:

A procurement made because of a public calamity that requires funds to relieve the needs of the residents or to preserve city property (Note: Department must notify the Purchasing Division immediately regarding such an event)	Paving, drainage, street widening and other public improvements or related matter where at least one-third of the costs are paid by special assessments			
A procurement to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the city's residents (Note: Department must notify the Purchasing Division immediately regarding such an event)	A public improvement project which has been authorized but for which there is deficiency of funds to complete in accordance with the plans as authorized			
A procurement necessary because of unforeseen damage to machinery, equipment or other property (Note: Department must notify the Purchasing Division immediately regarding such an event)	A payment under a contract by which a developer participates in the construction of a public improvement as provided by Subchap. C, Ch 212.			
A procurement for personal, professional or planning services	Personal property sold			
A procurement for work that is performed and paid for by the day as the work progresses	Services performed by blind or severely disabled persons			
A purchase of land or right-of-way	Goods purchased by a municipality for subsequent retail sale by the municipality			
A procurement of items available from only one source	Electricity			
A purchase of rare books, papers and other materials for a public library	Advertising, other than legal notices			
*Is this an "Emergency" purchase request that exceeds \$50,000 in value and would OYes No require City Council ratification?				
*Sourcing Accounting Details OInsert Shopping Cart (SC) or	Purchase Requisition (PR) # Insert Annual Contract #			
Enter: Annual Contract Name/Number: 44-5029, \$135,116				

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Sole Source Justification Notice

You have indicated that this Certificate of Exemption is being requested for a purchase that is categorized as a "Sole Source" procurement. Justification for such a purchase **MUST be provided in the following section of the form, where the justification for sole source purchase can be documented and submitted as part of this Certificate of Exemption request.** Provide any vendor-provided documents used in justifying the sole source aspects of this purchase, attaching any correspondence(s) related to establishing that justification.

Click on the paperclip icon 🥖 located in the left margin of this form to make any required attachment.

Sole Source Justification Details

*Name of Item:	Art & Architecture Source, Novelist Select and Novelist Plus database

*Manufacturer: EBSCO Information Services *Model Number: N/A

*Source Count: 🖌 Available from only one source 🛛 🗌 Available from more than one source

*Name of Source: EBSCO Information Services

*Brief description of where or how the item(s) will be used:

These databases will be used by the public as well as Library staff engaged in conducting research.

*Describe the performance functions proprietary to the item(s) requested and why they are necessary to accomplish the project: Art & Architecture Source is the full-text art research database covering fine, decorative and commercial art as well as architecture and architectural design.

Novelist Select is a comprehensive catalog enrichment service which adds reading recommendations directly to our records turning existing catalog into a place for book discovery.

Novelist List Plus is the online database for reading recommendation, available through libraries around the world. Helps the readers to find right book to read. It includes popular book information, expert recommendation, reviews, articles and more.

*Will the item be used in conjunction with existing equipment?	Yes	⊖ No	
*Will it be used as a component to be interfaced with existing equipment?	• Yes	⊖ No	
*What is the brand and model number of existing equipment? Public and Staff PC			
*Will this be used as an accessory or option?	• Yes	∩ No	
*Will training be required?	∩ Yes	No	

*Name other sources/brands whose products have been evaluated and why they do not meet requirements:

There is no other source available to obtain access to the databases

*<u>Required attachment(s)</u>: Vendor Quotation and Sole Source Vendor Justification Letter explaining why requested item(s) are only suitable from one source.

*Has all of the required justification documentation been attached to this request? •• Yes

Execution/Filing Details

This Certificate of Exemption is executed and filed with the Finance Department as follows:

∩ No



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- 1. The undersigned is authorized to approve an exemption;
- 2. An exemption according to Section 252.022 of the Local Government Code exists.

More specifically, the following event has occurred:

The San Antonio Public Library is requesting three year offer with EBSCO for the databases Art Source, Novelist Select and Novelist plus. Art source is an online resource for commercial art, decorative art, architecture, crafts, paintings, textiles, photography, pottery, sculpture and art history. The resource will be used in conjuction with the Maria Swartz Art Resource center and will be available to all SAPL customers. The Novelist databases will provide comprehensive readers advisory resource. In addition to the fiction database that Novelist has offered, Novelist plus adds non fiction to provide a complete solution for your readers. With Novelist plus, you can find titles, articles, and list for both your fiction and non fiction needs.

3. Because the exemption stated above exists, the City of San Antonio intends to contract with

EBSCO Information Services	which will cost approximately	\$	143,471 \$243,964.00
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Approvals

Instructions: Enter your Network credentials and "click" the **Sign** button for Authentication eSignature:

Password: UserID: Japan Shah (Finance) 04/07/2022 Originator Date Kathy Donellan 4/11/22 Department Director Approval Date **Executive Leadership Team Approval** Date (approval required only for ratification by City Council) nniler ohnson April 13, 2022 urement Administrator Approval Date

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