

RESOLUTION NO. M-2612

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON,
AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE OMNIA PARTNERS INTERGOVERNMENTAL
COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, periodically, City staff reviews processes and procedures to identify and evaluate opportunities for greater efficiency and cost-savings; and

WHEREAS, the OMNIA Partners, Public Sector, Inc. (“OMNIA Partners”) Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Program is a purchasing cooperative created to reduce the cost of goods and services by leveraging the purchasing power of public agencies; and

WHEREAS, while OMNIA Partners is a Delaware corporation, it administers contracts for goods and services executed by and between public agencies and contractors for the purpose of making those contracts available to other registered local governments; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 39.34 RCW, the Interlocal Cooperation Act, allows for intergovernmental agreement contract use in the State of Washington; specifically, RCW 39.34.030(5)(b) permits cities to participate in purchasing cooperatives, provided that the procuring public agency and “piggybacking” public agency contract with each other and that the procuring public agency complies with its own procurement requirements and provides requisite notice for any utilized contract; and

WHEREAS, the Master Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement (Attachment A), the execution of which registers a local government in the OMNIA Partners Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Program, includes as parties “Principal Procurement Agencies,” which competitively procure goods and services by contract, and “Participating Public Agencies” that utilize those contracts, thus creating the contractual privity between public agencies required by the Interlocal Cooperation Act; and

WHEREAS, on January 5, 2015, the Olympia City Council adopted Resolution No. M-1828 (Attachment B), which authorized the City Manager to register the City in the U.S. Communities Cooperative Purchasing Alliance, which participation ended on November 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Communities is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of OMNIA Partners and the City of Olympia desires to register with and participate in the OMNIA Partners Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Program for the purpose of utilizing contracts for goods and services executed by other registered public agencies in order to fulfill and execute its respective public governmental purposes, goals, objectives, programs, and functions, including the purchase of technology, supplies, materials, services, public works, and other items and services; and

WHEREAS, based on review of the benefits of participating in the OMNIA Partners Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Program, City staff have concluded the program will provide the best value to the residents of the City through the anticipated savings to be realized;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:

Section 1. The Olympia City Council, pursuant to chapter 39.34 RCW, hereby approves the purchase of goods and services from or through OMNIA Partners Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Program without calling for bids.

Section 2. The City Manager or their designee is authorized to execute the Master Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement to register the City of Olympia in the OMNIA Partners Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Program for the purpose of utilizing contracts that have been competitively bid by principal procurement agencies registered with OMNIA Partners.

PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this 20th day of May 2025.



MAYOR

ATTEST:

Sean Kivio

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jake Stillwell

DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY