

City Council

Approval of a Resolution Authorizing Participation in the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance Program

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to authorize the City Manager to register for the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance Program (NCPA) Cooperative Purchasing program on behalf of the City of Olympia.

Report

Issue:

Whether to authorize the City Manager to register for the NCPA Cooperative Purchasing program on behalf of the City of Olympia.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item.

Background and Analysis:

The City of Olympia desires to participate in NCPA, which was created by state law as a service cooperative to provide programs and services to members in education and government. NCPA was established with the statutory purpose to assist members in meeting specific needs, which are more efficiently delivered cooperatively than by an entity individually.

The primary purpose of participating in NCPA is to fulfill and execute its respective public governmental purposes, goals, objectives, programs, and functions, including the purchase of technology, office equipment, supplies, materials, furniture or other items and services.

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Staff has reviewed the benefits of participating in NCPA and based on this review has concluded the program will provide the best value to taxpayers of the City through the anticipated savings to be realized.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

None.

Options:

- 1. Authorize the City Manager to register for the NCPA Cooperative Purchasing program on behalf of the City of Olympia.
- 2. Do not authorize the City Manager to register for the NCPA Cooperative Purchasing program on behalf of the City of Olympia. Purchasing outside this cooperative would be more expensive.

Financial Impact:

NCPA's cooperative contract purchasing leverages the national purchasing power of more than 90,000 member agencies while also streamlining the required purchasing process. Therefore, the City of Olympia will save time, resources and money when procuring goods and services through NCPA.

Attachments:

Resolution