



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR  
June 25, 2013

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From:  Christine Daniel, City Manager  
Submitted by: Donna LaSala, Director, Department of Information Technology  
Subject: Contract No. 7539C Amendment: Rocket Software, Inc. for Change Management Software

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend Contract No. 7539C with Rocket Software, Inc. (formerly Aldon, Inc.) for change management software licensing, maintenance, and technical support, increasing the contract amount by \$10,000 for a total not to exceed \$57,996 from February 28, 2008 through June 30, 2015.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funds for this contract are allocated in the Department of Information Technology baseline budget:

\$10,000 Budget Code: 010-2703-410-3047  
(General Fund, Information Technology, Software Maintenance)

The contract amendment has been entered into the City's contract database and assigned CMS No: WFABU.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Since 2008, the City has used change management software from Rocket (formerly Aldon, Inc.) to help ensure that the process for overseeing modifications to FUND\$ adheres to industry standards and audit recommendations. For example, this change software provides a tool for requiring and tracking manager approval of work done by programmers in FUND\$ before it is promoted from the test environment into the production system. In addition, this software provides an accessible and user-friendly audit trail for changes made to FUND\$ by programming staff (as discussed in the City Auditor's [FUND\\$ Change Management Audit](#) [http://www.ci.berkeley.ca.us/uploadedFiles/Auditor/Level\\_3\\_-\\_General/ChgMgmtReportFinalWeb.pdf](http://www.ci.berkeley.ca.us/uploadedFiles/Auditor/Level_3_-_General/ChgMgmtReportFinalWeb.pdf)).

BACKGROUND

In February 2008, Council approved a contract for FUND\$ change management software. In March 2008, staff reported to Council regarding the status of security improvements to FUND\$, including implementation of this software. In May 2012, staff again reported to Council regarding the status of FUND\$ security, indicating that this software continued to serve as a useful tool for oversight of FUND\$ modifications requested by staff in all City Departments. Staff recommends renewing the contract with Rocket Software, Inc. (formerly Aldon) as a cost-effective mechanism for administering FUND\$ change management. The maintenance agreement for this product entitles the City to regular software updates, patches, and 24x7 technical support.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

Staff considered seeking proposals from other change management software vendors. However, the current product has served its purpose well for over five years, and the vendor's technical support has been excellent. Hence, staff is recommending the renewal of this contract for an additional two years.

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT NO 7539C AMENDMENT: ROCKET SOFTWARE, INC. FOR CHANGE  
MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley relies upon FUND\$ for critical business activities, such as payroll, billing, and general accounting; and

WHEREAS, Rocket Software, Inc. (formerly Aldon) has provided software used to manage changes to FUND\$; and

WHEREAS, change management for FUND\$ modifications is an important internal control; and

WHEREAS, money is allocated for this software in the Department of Information Technology baseline budget, Budget Code: 010-2703-410-3047, CMS No. WFABU.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to amend Contract No. 7539C with Rocket Software, Inc. (formerly Aldon, Inc.) for change management software licensing, maintenance, and technical support, increasing the contract amount by \$10,000 for a total not to exceed \$57,996 from February 28, 2008 through June 30, 2015.

