ORDINANCE NO. 99-125

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING PUBLIC BIDDING DISADVANTAGEOUS AND AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL DATA PROCESSING CONSULTING SERVICES FOR SUPPORT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/PURCHASE ORDER/INVENTORY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (APPOIM) FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO 12 MONTHS

WHEREAS, The Accounts Payable/Purchase Order/Inventory Management System (APPOIM) is a critical computer application used by the Chicago Transit Authority to control and monitor the purchase of goods and services ; and

WHEREAS, The version of APPOIM used by the Authority is being upgraded by its manufacturer, American Software Inc., to Version 20.3, which is Year 2000-compliant; and

WHEREAS, CTA Data Processing staff is too few in number and lacks sufficient training to fully and adequately support APPOIM Version 20.3; and

WHEREAS, there is insufficient time prior to the year 2000 to retain a data processing consultant for Version 20.3 using the Request for Proposal (RFP) process and to familiarize such consultant with CTA's procedures and needs; and

WHEREAS, American Software Inc. is fully familiar with CTA's procedures and needs and is prepared to immediately support APPOIM Version 20.3 and to train CTA staff in its use, now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. That based on the statements set forth in the preamble of this ordinance, the Transit Board hereby determines that competitive bidding for this service is disadvantageous.

SECTION 2. That the Chairman of the Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized to approve a contract with American Software Inc. in the amount of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) for professional data processing consulting support of the Accounts Payable/Purchase Order/Inventory Management System (APPOIM) and its associated software upgrades, and including appropriate training of CTA employees for a period of twelve months under Requisition C990P02316. ORDINANCE NO. 99-125 (Continued) -2

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

Assistant Secretary

September 15, 1999

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