Procurement Data Transparency: Opportunities and Considerations

Governmental Operations Standing Committee October 22, 2025



Support for Transparency

- The administration is in full support of the goals outlined in Ord. 2025-211, including:
 - Providing the public greater access to meaningful information.
 - A commitment to building trust through openness in government.
 - DPS willingness to work with Council to demonstrate our current practices and capabilities to provide this transparency.

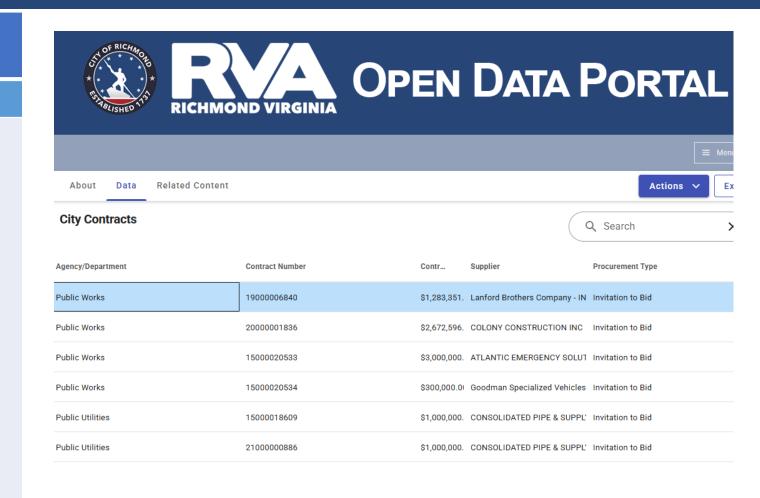


Leveraging Existing Systems

Contract Information in Ord. 2025-211 Currently Available to the Public

Open Data Portal

- (1) The agency or department name
- (2) The contract number
- (3) The dollar amount of each contract award
- (4) The supplier name
- (5) The procurement type or method
- (6) A brief description of the contract
- (7) The purchase category
- (8) The effective date of the contract
- (9) The end date of the contract





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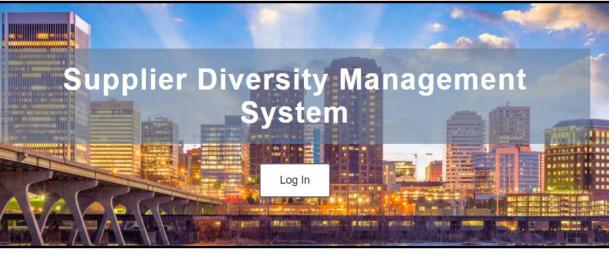
OMBD Vendor Registry

(10) MBE or ESB status



OUR MAIN SITE

(?) CONTACT SUPPORT



OMBD Vendor Registry Join our database of registered vendors. Search Registered Vendors Apply for Registration Outreach Opportunities for vendor involvement



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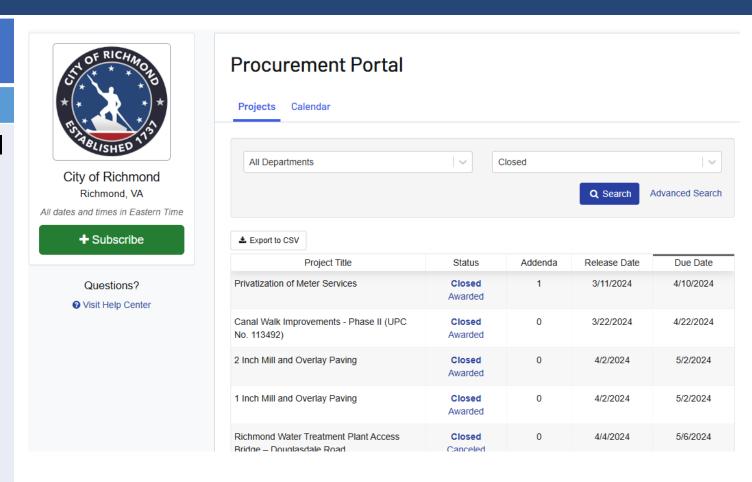
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(11) For IFBs, information on unsuccessful bidders

(12) RFP or IFB number, if applicable





Fiscal & Operational Impact

- All requested information is currently publicly available.
 - Additional migration from OpenGov into the Open Data Portal will incur \$20,000 in recurring annual maintenance.
- Because of the potential for multiple winners, losers and contracts resulting from a single procurement, there is no intuitive way to present this information within the constraints of the Open Data Portal. OpenGov is designed specifically for this purpose.
- The City does not currently charge FOIA fees for records that are already publicly available.



Path Forward

- The Administration has developed a new navigation tool on RVA.gov that seamlessly directs the public to each data source stipulated by Ord. 2025-211.
 - The page can be easily accessed via City Services, the Procurement webpage, and other locations on RVA.gov.

