

Committee(s)	Dated:
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Subject: Modification of E-Business & Information System contract	Public
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Summary

In 2003 the City entered into a contract for the supply of an e-business & Information System. This included a Local Land Charges system which has not been delivered and is no longer required.

In order to remove the local Land Charges system from the contract, Committee approval and a Deed of Variation are required. The Comptroller and City Solicitor's department has drawn up a Deed of Variation which is acceptable to all parties and this report seeks approval to remove the Local Land Charges system from the contract.

Recommendation

Members are asked to:

- Approve the modification of the e-business & Information System contract to remove the provision of the Local Land Charges system.

Main Report

Background

1. On 30 April 2003 the City of London entered into a Contract with ESRI(UK) for the provision of an e-Business & Information System as part of a capital project.

This e-Business & Information System comprised a number of elements including

- the Uniform system for processing planning applications;
- the ESRI mapping system (that now forms the Corporate GIS);
- a document management system (used to hold planning application documents and publish them to the public); and
- a Local Land Charges System (called Total Land charges – TLC).

2. All elements except TLC have been successfully implemented and are working satisfactorily.
3. Implementation of the TLC element ran into problems early in the process and it soon became apparent that it was going to be much more difficult than anticipated to implement a spatially based Local Land Charges processing system for the City of London. Considerable efforts were made both by the contractor and the City of London and eventually it was concluded that it was not worth pursuing.

Current Position

4. We have reached agreement in principle with the contractors (ESRI(UK) and their sub-contractor CAPS Solutions) that they will not supply TLC and that the City of London will not pay any costs associated with TLC.
5. A Deed of Variation has been drawn up by C&CS and both ESRI(UK) and CAPS are willing to execute this Deed.

Proposal

6. That the City enter into this Deed of Variation to remove TLC from the project.

Implications

7. There has been no expenditure relating to the provision of TLC and of the contract is varied as recommended there will be no payment by the City of London in respect of TLC.

Conclusion

8. Neither the City of London nor the supplier wish to proceed with the implantation of TLC and removing TLC from the contract will allow this project to be closed.

Appendices

- None

Background Papers

Planning & Transportation Committee 6 November 2002
Finance Committee on 12 November 2002

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