



**Contra  
Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Brian M. Balbas, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer  
Date: September 7, 2021

Subject: Participating Addendum with OFS Brands, Inc. through the Distributor, Be. Workplace Design

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Purchasing Agent, or designee, to execute, on behalf of the County, a Participating Addendum with OFS Brands, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000, for the distribution of various furniture, design and installation services for use by all County Departments, during the period from September 7, 2021 through April 30, 2023, under the terms of a Master Contract awarded by the Region 4 Education Service Center, and distributed through Be. Workplace Design.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Product and service costs paid by County Departments. (100% User Departments)

**BACKGROUND:**

Contra Costa Purchasing Services is requesting approval of a Participating Addendum for various furniture purchases, design and installation services through one of OFS Brands, Inc., Distributors; Be. Workplace Design. Orders will be unique to each County Department. Products are guaranteed through a master contract awarded by the Region 4 Education Service Center, OMNIA Cooperative Program. Approval of the addendum between Contra Costa County and OFS Brands, Inc.,

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD

ADMINISTRATOR

COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **09/07/2021** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: September 7, 2021

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

Contact: Cynthia Shehorn,  
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cc:



### BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

allows the County to obtain guaranteed pricing available through the OMNIA Partners contract. The purchase will support all County Departments with a variety of Systems and Freestanding Furniture, Seating/Chairs, Filing Systems, Technology Support Systems, Library, Cafeteria and Science Lab Furniture, Audio Visual Furniture, Art Instructional Furniture, Auditorium/Theater Fixed Seating, Office and Technical Education Furniture, and Modular Walls, which offer discounts of 47% to 65% off published price lists. This will allow the County the option to choose furniture from more than one source, promote competition among the providers, and is ultimately designed to offer County Departments a variety of product choices and providers.

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Without approval of an alternate furniture source, the County would have limited options, no competition among the providers, and ultimately pay more by not taking advantage of cooperative purchasing discounts.

### ATTACHMENTS

OFS Contract Redacted

Final PA OFS signature 8.12.2021