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To the Common Council,

This letter is to recommend the sole source purchase of the GIS software maintenance quote from the Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI). This is the only vendor that can provide the necessary technical software updates and also the support for the specific GIS software products we currently use for our GIS platform. ESRI has been dealing with GIS software for over 40 years, their products and support has been exemplary, and they are considered the GIS world leader within their industry. You will also find their pricing to be fair and reasonable. I respectfully request your approval of this vendor for this purchase of software maintenance and service for the GIS applications that are used in each department throughout the City. Thank you.

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