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GRANT AUTHORITY FOR SOLE SOURCE
ACQUISITION OF ADOBE CREATIVE CLOUD
SOFTWARE LICENSING UNDER THE ADOBE
ENTERPRISE LICENCE AGREEMENT

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REPORT: Portland Community College has been enrolled in the Cumulative Licensing Program with Adobe and Adobe reseller Zones Inc. The college has been using Adobe software for classroom, faculty and staff use for over fourteen years.

Adobe recently changed their licensing model and software programs from the Creative Suite Cumulative Licensing Program to the Creative Cloud program moving the licensing to a Cloud based subscription model.

Technology Solution Services, in partnership with the Multimedia, Visual and Performing Arts and Design and Computer Application Systems departments, reviewed the Creative Cloud licensing to meet the classroom, faculty and staff licensing needs. TSS worked with Adobe to create a specific Enterprise Term Lease agreement based off the college's current FTE count and licensing needs.

Adobe software is considered Proprietary software and the pricing does not vary from reseller to reseller. The purchase of Proprietary Software within the meaning of Community College Rules of Procurement (CCR) 212 allows the college to purchase products without competitive procurement, regardless of dollar amount.

According to Board Policy B505, Board approval is required as this purchase is over \$150,000.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Portland Community College Board of Directors grants authority to enter into a Sole Source three-year purchase Agreement with Adobe and the Adobe reseller Zones Inc. The three-year Adobe Enterprise Lease agreement will not exceed \$401,965.53. Funding for this contract will be from the General Fund.