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NIGP Code & Consulting and Civic Marketplace Join Forces to Modernize Procurement

New Partnership Seeks to Lead the Future of Procurement with AI-Driven Innovation

ABILENE, TEXAS - NIGP Code & Consulting and Civic Marketplace are joining forces in a groundbreaking partnership to advance efficiency, transparency, and innovation in public sector procurement.

By joining forces, NIGP Code & Consulting and Civic Marketplace have a vision to support simplifying and modernizing procurement processes for local governments, and to harness the power of technology to drive better resident outcomes and maximize government efficiencies.

Together, this partnership ensures that governments are equipped with the tools and standards to streamline procurement, save taxpayer dollars, and improve public services.

“Civic Marketplace’s mission aligns with our vision of working with public sector clients to advance their procurement operations, helping to lead procurement into the future and encouraging the use of innovative technology,” said Marcheta Gillespie, President of NIGP Code & Consulting. “Together, we’re going to make procurement smarter, faster, and more efficient with our partner agencies, but most importantly, we are empowering local governments to serve their residents better.”

At the heart of this collaboration is a shared focus on public service. Both organizations understand that streamlined procurement directly impacts the quality of services governments provide to their residents. By simplifying procurement and reducing administrative burdens, Civic Marketplace allows local governments to focus on what matters most—delivering results to their communities.

“This partnership is driven by our mutual commitment to public service,” said Ron Holifield, President of Civic Marketplace. “By leveraging cutting-edge technology, we are setting a new

standard in procurement, allowing governments to focus on resident outcomes while increasing operational efficiency.”

Civic Marketplace’s platform, co-designed with local governments over the last 2 years, is an innovative online marketplace that leverages the latest technology to streamline the procurement process, making it easier for procurement professionals to make informed, faster, and legally compliant purchasing decisions.

"At Civic Marketplace, we believe that leveraging the latest advancements in technology through the process of co-design is critical to modernizing the procurement process," said Al Hleileh, CEO of Civic Marketplace. "By integrating cutting-edge solutions, we are not just simplifying government purchasing but revolutionizing it. Our platform empowers procurement officers to make faster, more informed decisions, ultimately partnering with them to provide better services for communities and driving greater efficiency in local governments."

Collectively, the partnership will serve to break down traditional barriers, reduce manual work, and enhance transparency. This forward-thinking approach allows procurement professionals to focus on strategic priorities, reduce costs, and ultimately improve services to their communities.

Key Objectives of the Partnership:

For member agencies and vendors, the partnership supports the mission of bringing best practice procurement to the end user and local government agencies through:

- **Enhanced Platform Support:** NIGP Consulting will work with Civic Marketplace to provide member agencies with procurement support, ensuring the platform meets the highest standards in public procurement excellence.
- **Building Capacity:** NIGP Consulting will guide Civic Marketplace stakeholders on best practices in procurement, strategic sourcing, and operational efficiencies.
- **Licensing NIGP Codes:** Civic Marketplace will integrate NIGP’s standardized commodity coding system, enabling users to navigate procurement categories with greater precision and consistency.

For more information about NIGP Consulting, visit <https://www.nigp.org/consulting> or contact Marcheta Gillespie, NIGP Code & Consulting President, at mgillespie@nigp.com.

For more information about Civic Marketplace and its innovative platform, visit www.civicmarketplace.com or contact Jordan Schupbach at jordan@civicmarketplace.com.

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About NIGP Code and Consulting

NIGP Code & Consulting, owned by NIGP - The Institute for Public Procurement, has been the standard-bearer in public sector procurement consulting for nearly 30 years. Dedicated to advancing procurement operations across North America, NIGP Consulting brings together top thought leaders to support government entities through best practices, policy development, and procurement innovation. Known for its deep expertise, NIGP Consulting collaborates closely with public sector clients to enhance procurement operations, streamline processes, and provide targeted support through procurement staff augmentation and consulting services.

About Civic Marketplace

Civic Marketplace is a venture-backed technology company transforming public sector procurement through cutting-edge innovation. Our platform streamlines and accelerates procurement processes, offering local governments a user-friendly, fully compliant solution. Designed for simplicity, Civic Marketplace makes procurement straightforward. We are committed to transparency, efficiency, and supporting diverse suppliers, including Historically Underutilized Businesses, to foster local economic growth and drive innovation. By providing access to a network of reliable, pre-approved vendors, the platform ensures legal compliance and quality assurance for every contract. Discover how we are reshaping procurement at www.civicmarketplace.com.

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