

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	24572	Agenda Number	57.
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Meeting Date:	May 23, 2013
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 48-month requirements supply contract with AVRIO RMS GROUP, LLC, for the purchase of public safety cameras and related hardware, software, services and maintenance in support of Austin Police Department's HALO (High Activity Location Observation) Public Safety Camera project, for a total contract value not to exceed \$750,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$224,978 is available in the Fiscal Year 2013 Special Revenue Fund of the Austin Police Department. Funding for the remaining contract period is contingent on future budgets.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	Sole Source.
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Prior Council Action:	December 16, 2010 - Approved contract with Avrio for Phases I and II of the HALO Project.
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Related Items:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.
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Additional Backup Information

This contract is for the purchase of additional public safety cameras and related hardware, software, services, and maintenance to aid the Austin Police Department (APD) in deterring, detecting, and investigating crime in the downtown business district and other areas of the City.

The High Activity Location Observation, or HALO, public safety camera system is part of an ongoing effort to reduce crime in "hot spot" areas in central Austin. The central business district is essential to the economic well-being of Austin, and APD is committed to using advancements in wireless and wired IP video and networking to make downtown a safer place to live, work, and visit. As approved by Council on December 16, 2010, the HALO project is being implemented in several phases. Phases I and II were successfully implemented in 2011 and 2012. This action will allow implementation of Phase III, with additional contractual spending authority for future phases contingent on available funding.

The scope of Phase III includes the purchase of additional cameras and related hardware, software and services for the crime hot spot locations identified by APD, and enhancements of wireless and wired network capacity and security to support the additional cameras. The cameras and supporting equipment will be installed in an outdoor environment, mounted on City-owned and non-City owned poles, towers and buildings. Phase III will also include four years of post-warranty, vendor-provided maintenance which is critical to the existing system's continued reliable operation.

The available funding is from the 2009 COPS Technology Grant and the 2010 Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Grant, Technology/Camera Enhancement Project.

Along with the current planned purchases, APD requests additional contractual spending authority in anticipation of HALO system expansion using grant funds, other non-general funding sources and generally budgeted funds that may become available.

The Avrio RMS Group, Easton, MD, is the original equipment manufacturer for these products and services and is the only provider of the factory-supported, factory-trained, and factory-certified service of the PoleCam and associated hardware and software.