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Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

57863

Agenda Number

58.

Meeting Date:

June 23, 2016

Department:

Purchasing

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a 60-month contract through the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES cooperative program with AT&T, for the purchase of smartphones and wireless phone services to enhance the functionality of body worn cameras in an amount not to exceed \$5,029,200. Related to Item # 57.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$127,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget of the Communications and Technology Management Department. Funding for the remaining 56 months of the initial contract period is contingent upon available funding in future budgets. -----Related to Item # 57862-----.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing
Language:

Multiple cooperative purchase programs were reviewed for these goods and services. The Purchasing Office has determined this Contractor best meets the needs of the department to provide the goods and services required at the best value for the City. The recommended Contractor is one of the current providers for these goods and services.

Prior Council
Action:



For More
Information:

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Boards and
Commission
Action:



Related Items:

MBE / WBE:

This contract was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the goods and services required, there were insufficient subcontracting

	opportunities and an insufficient number of certified M/WBEs; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.
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Additional Backup Information

The contract is for the purchase of smartphones and monthly wireless phone services to be used in conjunction with body worn cameras (BWC) for the Austin Police Department (APD). APD is requesting that each officer assigned a BWC is issued a smartphone which has the ability to sync with a mobile application and allow officers the ability to perform multiple functions in the field at the time of the recording. Some of these functions include automatic geolocation of recordings, remote viewing, ability to take and upload evidentiary photos, classification of videos, and adding notes. The Body Worn Camera solution can classify the videos using a computer or mobile application and having the smartphone will allow APD to classify the videos in the field using the mobile application. Without the smartphone, the videos can only be classified using a computer. The smartphone enables the officers to simply dock their cameras at the end of their shift to download the videos instead of having to log into a computer to add all of the required metadata, resulting in a huge cost savings of officer time. Automatically adding the location of each recorded event will keep APD in compliance with the legislative mandate for open records requests for BWC videos.

Additionally, the smartphones will also enhance operational efficiencies on multiple levels. The smartphones offer short message service, also known as SMS messaging or text messaging, email, applications such as be on the lookout alerts with photographs, automatic language translation, phone location services for cellphone thefts, as well as many other features. By using a smartphone in conjunction with the BWC, it will add global positioning mapping for officers that previously were not able to have this feature since they were not in a vehicle. This will enhance officer safety by providing the location of officers not in vehicles with Toughbooks.