



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2842, **Agenda Item #:** 46.

9/21/2023

Posting Language

Ratify a contract for temporary security cameras and monitoring services with Stallion Infrastructure Services, LLC in the amount of \$140,000.

[Note: This contract is exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program); therefore, no subcontracting goals were established].

Lead Department

Financial Services Department.

Client Department(s)

Parks and Recreation Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding was available in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Purchasing Language:

Ratification.

For More Information:

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to the Financial Services Department - Central Procurement at: FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov or [512-974-2500](mailto:FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov).

Additional Backup Information:

The ratification was for a contract that provided 10 additional rental security surveillance cameras throughout the park system. The Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) had received an increased number of safety-related complaints, including but were not limited to theft, car break-ins, shots fired, vandalism, fire setting, graffiti, loud music, dogs off-leash, and other general nuisance behaviors. Multiple parkland sites continued to see a rise in crime and additional mechanisms were needed to collect data to share with the Austin Police Department (APD) to deter crime and provide additional measures to provide public safety.

This emergency request was in response to Resolution No. 20230413-077, which addressed public safety. The use of these units assisted PARD in identifying criminal activity in both the parks and Rainey Street until a more permanent solution can be put in place.

If a contract had not been secured, PARD would have had insufficient means to surveil the parks. Neither APD nor PARD had sufficient personnel to conduct sustained surveillance patrols throughout the park system. These rental units added an additional layer of security for park patrons. This procurement was necessary and urgent to ensure that Austin's parks remained safe and accessible.