

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL April 30, 2007
FROM: CITY MANAGER
SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER FOR PORTABLE RADIOS TO THE MOTOROLA CORP. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$199,940 FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the City Council:

- (1) Authorize the issuance of a purchase order to the Motorola Corp. in a total amount not to exceed \$199,940 for the purchase of 41 digital portable radios; and
- (2) Grant the proposed purchase order an exemption from competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002 (C), contracts for labor, materials, supplies or services available from only one vendor.

BACKGROUND

In 1988, an upgrade to the Police and Fire radio systems was done in order to standardize public safety communication equipment throughout the City. The standardization was based on Motorola equipment. Beginning in 1997, a multi-phased approach was approved to migrate from an analog system to a digital system. Motorola was recognized as the vendor of choice at that time. Each subsequent year the Police Department has gained Council approval to purchase as many Motorola digital portable radios as possible through identified funding sources.

On February 26, 2007, City Council recognized and appropriated 2006 Homeland Security Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP) grant funds. \$200,000 was earmarked for the purchase of portable radios. Staff is requesting Council approve the purchase so the Police Department can complete another phase of the portable radio upgrade to digital capability.

While the radios of virtually any manufacture can be modified to reach the desired frequencies, the critical issue is operational compatibility in emergency situations. Another vendor considered for this purchase did not meet all of the compatibility requirements. The

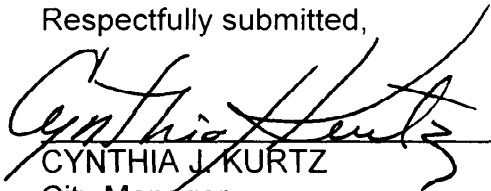
proposed radios are fully compatible with the existing fleet of upgraded radios. These radios are the same as those recently purchased by the Pasadena Fire Department.

Approving Motorola Corporation as the sole provider of radio equipment will ensure compatibility with our current fleet. It is in the City's best interest to utilize this vendor for this purchase.

FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient funding exists in the FY07 operating budget to support this purchase. Funding was allocated from the 2006 Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP) grant fund 8109-230-401000-91116-85 (\$200,000) for this purpose. These funds are currently available in the Police Department Operating Budget.

Respectfully submitted,


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City Manager


Approved by:


BERNARD K. MELEKIAN
Chief of Police

Concur:


STEPHEN C. STARK
Director of Finance

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**Disclosure pursuant to the
City of Pasadena Taxpayer Protection Amendment of 2000
Pasadena City Charter, Article XVII**

As a condition to the award of Contract No. ____, Contractor hereby discloses its trustees, directors, partners, officers, and those with more than a 10% equity, participation, or revenue interest in Contractor, as follows:

Contractor Name:		
Trustees, directors, partners, officers of Contractor: SENIOR MANAGEMENT (use additional sheets as necessary) BELOW - MOTOROLA		
EDWARD ZANDER		
GREGORY BROWN		
PAT CANAVAN		
DAVID DEVONSHIRE		
RUTH FATTORI		
MILHAEL FENGER		
RON GARRIGUES		
A. PETER LAWSON		
DANIEL MOLONEY		
PATRICIA MORRISON		
ADRIAN NEMCEK		
RICHARD NOTTENBURG		
STUART REED		
PADMASREE WARRIOR		
Those with more than a 10% equity, participation or revenue interest in Contractor: (use additional sheets as necessary)		
NO SINGLE ENTITY OWNS 10% OR MORE OF OUTSTANDING MOTOROLA STOCK		