



# Agenda Report

April 22, 2013

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Fire Department

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT TO PHYSIO CONTROL INCORPORATED FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIVE LIFEPAK-15 CARDIAC MONITOR / DEFIBRILLATORS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$136,122.50**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the recommended action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3); and
2. Authorize the issuance of a purchase order contract, without competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002[C] contracts for labor, materials, supplies or services available from only one vendor, to Physio Control Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$136,122.50 for the purchase of five Lifepak-15 cardiac monitor / defibrillators.

**BACKGROUND:**

Properly utilized, cardiac monitors/defibrillators can be effective in saving lives. In 2012, cardiac monitors were used on approximately 65% of medical responses. In 2007 the City of Pasadena received 19 monitors/defibrillators free of charge through the Los Angeles County Emergency Medical Services Agency. These units, manufactured by Physio-Control Inc., have become the standard cardiac monitors/defibrillator for the Pasadena Fire Department and are deployed on the City's fire engines, trucks and paramedic ambulances. The units are supported by a proprietary software system which captures critical data and relays the information to Huntington Memorial Hospital.

These units are reaching the end of their recommended useful lifespan and will need to be replaced over the course of the next few years. Replacing the units with those of the same manufacture will avoid incompatibility issues that would arise through the use of alternate equipment and ensure continued smooth operations. The proposed purchase order will allow for the replacement of five units.

**COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:**

The purchase of these upgraded cardiac monitor / defibrillators, with their enhanced capabilities, specifically meets the City Council's Strategic Planning Goal of ensuring public safety.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The cost of this action will be \$136,122.50. Funding for this action will be addressed by the utilization of existing budgeted appropriations in account #8504-101-363100. It is anticipated that entire amount will be spent during the current fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,



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