

Agenda Report

March 18, 2013

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Department of Public Works

SUBJECT: **AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT WITH GLOBAL TRAFFIC TECHNOLOGIES, LLC FOR PURCHASE OF SIGNAL PREEMPTION EQUIPMENT FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS CITYWIDE – PHASE I FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$210,000**

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the contract is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review in accordance with Article 5, Section 15061, subsection (b), part 3 of the Resources Agency of California as it will not have a potentially significant effect on the environment, and therefore falls under the “general rule” exemption;
2. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchase order contract with Global Traffic Technologies, LLC for the purchase of signal preemption equipment for traffic signals for an amount not to exceed \$210,000; and
3. Find that the proposed purchase order contract is exempt from competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H), contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, material, supplies or services.

BACKGROUND:

This project provides for the installation of preemption equipment at traffic signals along arterial streets and in Fire Department emergency vehicles. This technology enables the normal operation of traffic signals to be preempted by emergency vehicles to reduce response times and enhance traffic safety.

In December 2010, through a competitive bidding process, the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments (H-GAC) awarded a contract to Global Traffic Technologies, LLC (GTT) for the purchase of signal preemption equipment. The City has applied for and received an Interlocal Contract to allow for the purchase of this equipment through H-GAC's existing contract with GTT.

This proposed purchase order is based on the terms and conditions of the existing contract between H-GAC and GTT. With the prices provided in this contract, 20 intersections and 15 fire emergency vehicles will be equipped with signal preemption equipment. The specific intersections will be determined by the Fire Department based on their priority.

The City of Pasadena purchased and utilizes the GTT equipment specified in the contract with H-GAC at the intersection of Foothill Boulevard and Craig Avenue and in two fire emergency vehicles. The Department of Public Works and the Fire Department are satisfied with product performance/support services and recommend purchase of additional equipment.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

This project supports the City Council strategic goals to improve, maintain and enhance public facilities and infrastructure and improve mobility and accessibility throughout the City of Pasadena.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

Staff recommends that the City Council determine the project to be exempt from CEQA review pursuant to guidelines, Article 5, Section 15061 (b)(3) where CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The project proposed herein will not have a potentially significant effect on the environment, and therefore falls under this "general rule" exemption to CEQA.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of this purchase order contract will not exceed \$210,000. Funding for this action will be addressed by utilization of existing budgeted Gas Tax in the Signal Preemption Equipment at Traffic Signals Citywide – Phase I project, Budget Account 75022.

The following table represents a contract summary.

Base Bid	\$ 190,750
Contingency Allowance	\$ 19,250
Contract Total	\$ 210,000


It is anticipated that the costs will be spent during FY 2013.

Respectfully submitted,



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

Contractor/Organization hereby discloses its trustees, directors, partners, officers, and those with more than 10% equity, participation, or revenue interest in Contractor/Organization, as follows:

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1. Contractor/Organization Name:
Global Traffic Technologies, LLC

2. Type of Entity:
 non-government nonprofit 501(c)(3), (4), or (6)

3. Name(s) of trustees, directors, partners, officers of Contractor/Organization:

Doug Roberts, Chief Executive Officer
Brian VanDerBosch, Chief Financial Officer

4. Names of those with more than a 10% equity, participation or revenue interest in Contractor/Organization:

Entity is 100% owned by Global Traffic Technologies, Inc.

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