

Agenda Report

June 16, 2014

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 FOUR LIFEPAK-15 CARDIAC MONITOR / DEFIBRILLATORS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$107,264.60

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
- 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 \$107,264.60 for the purchase of four Lifepak-15 cardiac monitor / defibrillators.

BACKGROUND:

Properly utilized, cardiac monitors/defibrillators can be effective in saving lives. In 2013, 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 beyond the end of their recommended useful lifespan, and in April 2013 the City Council approved the purchase of five (5) replacement cardiac monitor / defibrillators to begin replacing the obsolete units over the course of the next few years.

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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 four units.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

The purchase of these replacement cardiac monitor / defibrillators specifically meets the City Council's Strategic Planning Goal of ensuring public safety.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of this action will be \$107,264.60. Funding for this action will be addressed by the utilization of existing budgeted appropriations in accounts #8504-101-363100 and #8114-101-363200. It is anticipated that entire amount will be spent during the current fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

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