

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: May 18, 2009

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT TO LN CURTIS & SONS IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$320,853 FOR THE PURCHASE OF SELF CONTAINED BREATHING APPRATUS (SCBA)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize issuance of a purchase order contract to LN Curtis & Sons for the purchase of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) equipment in an amount not to exceed \$320,853. Competitive bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H), contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors.

BACKGROUND:

On August 28, 2006 the City received Urban Area Security Initiative grant funds totaling \$586,803. Of this total allocation, \$320,853 was designated for the replacement of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) equipment.

The City of Los Angeles, acting as lead agency for a group of municipalities, undertook a selection process for the purchase of this equipment. The goal of this effort is to create interoperability amongst all 42 fire agencies in Los Angeles County. On June 19, 2008, Los Angeles awarded a contract to LN Curtis & Sons and in July 2008, the Pasadena City Council also approved a contract with LN Curtis.

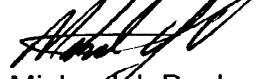
Subsequently, a challenge was brought against the contract award and a court injunction was issued overturning the original bid process. As a result Pasadena returned the equipment received and paid for as part of the original bid process and a refund was issued back to the City.

Recently the City of Los Angeles undertook a new selection process consistent with the court's requirements. And once again the firm of LN Curtis & Sons was selected.

FISCAL IMPACT:

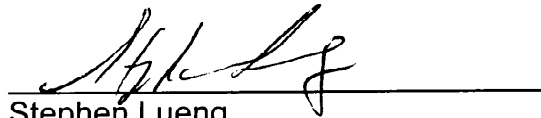
Sufficient grants funds for this purchase are available in the fiscal year 2009 operating budget grant fund 230 account number 8109.

Respectfully submitted,



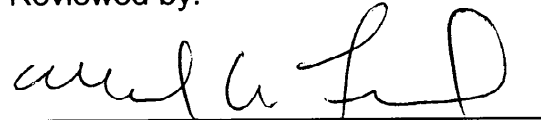
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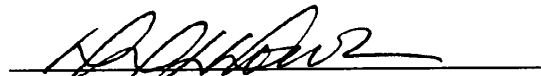
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