

## AGENDA



Thursday, March 6, 2008

**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 28**

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**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of Amendment No. 5 with MEDTRONICS EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEMS, INC., Redmond, WA to increase the amount of the original contract period for the purchase of capnography supplies in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,100,298, for a revised total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$2,365,176.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$550,149 is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budget of the Emergency Medical Services Department. Funding for the remaining twelve months of the original contract period is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**For More Information:** Sydney Ceder, Senior Buyer/974-2035

**Purchasing Language:** Contract Amendment.

**MBE/WBE:** This contract was awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

**Prior Council Action:** 05/06/04 – Approved a five-year lease/purchase agreement.

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In May 2004, Council approved execution of a contract with Medtronic Emergency Response Systems, Inc. (formerly Medtronic Physio-Control) for a five-year lease purchase of 52 cardiac monitor/defibrillators, as well as ancillary supplies. The contract was executed in November 2004 and amended in November 2005 to include six additional monitors included in the original lease amount.

The cardiac monitor/defibrillators are used on all ambulances operated by Austin-Travis County EMS (ATCEMS) and on the STAR Flight helicopter. The monitors provide a number of functions in the course of treating a patient with abnormal cardiac conditions, such as shocking a defibrillating heart, pacing a slow heart, and conducting electrocardiograms. The monitors also provide paramedics with a set of tools for enhanced patient care, such as capnography, pulse oximetry, and non-invasive blood pressure.

The original contract included an allowance for purchasing routine monitor supplies such as capnography supplies, electrodes, and EKG paper.

This proposed Amendment No. 5 is necessary for the continued purchase of supplies and the monthly lease payments for the remaining 19 months of the contract term. The capnography equipped monitors utilize a capnoline for each patient in which capnography is applied.. This technology was originally tested in the Star Flight helicopter, but due to its successful use, it was expanded to all of the ground ambulances.