Thursday, December 11, 2008

Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 51

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of Amendment No. 9 to a contract with MOTOROLA COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS, INC., Austin, TX, to increase the contract in an amount not to exceed \$1,271,000 for the purchase of subscriber radio equipment, add-on radios for new positions and vehicles, budgeted system upgrades, replacement units, and related equipment and services for City departments for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$97,843,932.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$1,271,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Financial and Administrative Services Department, Communications and Technology Management, Wireless Division.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Contract Amendment.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C 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: November 30, 2000 - Approved original contract, March 20, 2003 - Approved Amendment No. 3, November 17, 2005 - Approved Amendment No. 4, December 14, 2006 - Approved Amendment No. 6, June 21, 2007 - Authorized grant application, November 8, 2007 - Approved Amendment No. 7

In November, 2000, Council approved the original contract with Motorola for the 911 RDMT Radio Project, later to become known as the Regional Radio System. The contract provides for radio system infrastructure as well as for ongoing radio equipment requirements. More than 80 government public safety and public service agencies are currently served by this system. With most regional government operations able to use the same radio platform, the system enables instantaneous radio communication interoperability between the system users.

This requested Amendment No. 9 will provide additional spending authority in the amount of \$1,271,000 for the purchase of subscriber radio equipment, add-on radios for new positions and new vehicles, budgeted system upgrades, replacement units, and related equipment and services for City departments for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$97,843,932.

Although no goals were set for equipment purchases, Motorola agrees to comply with the MBE/WBE Procurement Program through good faith efforts by committing to 10% MBE and 0.00% WBE participation for the proposed amendment. Amendment No. 7 achieved 9.6% MBE participation. Motorola will work with the Small & Minority Business Resources Department to obtain MBE/WBE availability lists in the event additional subcontracting opportunities should arise.