Thursday, June 24, 2010

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 49

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month contract through the County Information Resources Agency CountyConnect Cooperative Purchasing Program with METATOMIX, INC., Dedham, MA, for the purchase of criminal justice software and maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$126,521.72, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$19,299.92 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$165,121.56.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$126,521.72 is available in the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Special Revenue Fund, Urban Area Security Initiative Grant. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

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

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MBE/WBE: This Cooperative Purchase is exempt from the MBE/WBE Ordinance. This exemption is 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 contract.

Boards and Commission Action: Urban Area Working Group approved acceptance of this grant.

Related to the Fusion Project – Austin Regional Intelligence Center (ARIC).

Prior Council Action: August 8, 2008, accepted grant funding as part of the FY 2008-2009 budget process. August 4, 2009, approved an interlocal agreement with Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to lease space from DPS for the Austin Regional Intelligence Center.

This contract is for the purchase of Metatomix Mtx Justice Data Xchange software which will allow the Austin Regional Intelligence Center (ARIC) to accept criminal justice files from our partner public safety agencies in the Austin urban area (Hays, Travis and Williamson Counties). Each partner agency uses a different brand of records management system software; therefore, a means to easily combine law enforcement records management system data was needed.

This software will provide ARIC the capability to accept, standardize, and normalize law enforcement records management system files so that these records can be combined for region-wide analysis. This software is used by other criminal justice agencies to provide a seamless flow of criminal information from one law enforcement agency to another.

The ARIC project team, composed of representatives of the partner agencies (Austin Police Department, Hays County Sheriff's Office, Travis County Sheriff's Office, Williamson County Sheriff's Office, Austin I.S.D. Police Department, Georgetown Police Department, Round Rock Police Department, Pflugerville Police Department, San Marcos Police Department and the University of Texas at Austin Police Department) reviewed a number of software products and selected this option because of the vendor's ability to meet the requirements, cost, previous experience with criminal justice systems, current use in

Texas, positive reviews from references. Metatomix has experience working with law enforcement and criminal justice for the Los Angeles Police Department, Office of the Supreme Court of Florida, the State of Connecticut, and the Texas Association of Counties.

Separate actions are being presented to City Council for 1) membership in the County Information Resources Agency, 2) participation in the CIRA CountyConnect Cooperative Purchasing Program and 3) implementation of the Metamomix software.