Thursday, January 27, 2011

Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 26

Subject: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month requirements contract with i2, INC., McLean, VA, for the purchase of gang tracking software, software maintenance, and training in an amount not to exceed \$314,624.30, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$40,353.17 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$476,036.98. i2, Inc., is the single source provided for these services.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$186,581.94 is available in the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Special Revenue Fund, Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant. Funding in the amount of \$128,042.36 is available in the Fiscal Year 2008 Department of Justice Congressionally Mandated Award Fund, Central Texas Regional Gang Database Project. 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 contract 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.

This contract is for the purchase of i2 Inc.'s CopLink gang tracking software for the Austin Police Department, working in conjunction with other area law enforcement agencies to document and track gang members for Austin and Travis County. This initiative is a cooperative effort by City of Austin, Travis County, and Austin ISD to establish a common system to document and track gang members in accordance with Federal and State laws and regulations. Currently each agency maintains its own separate system on gang members, resulting in duplicate hardware, software, and effort. This project will be funded with grants.

CopLink is the crime records system being implemented by the Austin Regional Intelligence Center. The selected gang tracking software will be incorporated into the existing CopLink system and it is the only product identified with the capability to search the CopLink data and gang data simultaneously. Other law enforcement agencies currently using CopLink were consulted about solutions they have implemented for gang tracking. Only agencies that had implemented this same combination of software modules had achieved the same searching, logging and reporting functionalities identified in the APD gang unit requirements.