

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	7474	Agenda Number	46.
Meeting Date:	July 28, 2011				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a contract with L-3 COMMUNICATIONS MOBILE-VISION INC., Boonton, NJ for the purchase a driver training simulator for the Austin Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$120,750.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available from the U.S. Department of Justice, COPS Technology Program Grant, 2008-CK-WX-0355.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	Sole Source.
Prior Council	
Action:	
For More	Colleen Athey, Buyer II, 972-4012
Information:	
Boards and	
Commission	
Action:	
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be 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 contract.
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

This contract is for the one-time purchase of a PatrolSim V driver training simulator for the Austin Police Department (APD) Training Academy. This simulator will be used to train APD officers and cadets for various driving scenarios using a computer system. Equipped with a fully functional dashboard and interior, the simulator will provide a high-fidelity replication of real-world driving environments and vehicle behaviors.

Trainers can insert simulated problems in the scenarios that include tire blowouts, brake malfunctions, poor weather conditions, or other difficult to re-create events. The simulator will also train officers to become more adept at in-car multi-tasking using the radio, sirens, and a mobile data terminal.

The system includes training and four years of full service warranty.

The PatrolSim V driver training simulator is the only simulator available in the market that will link with the PatrolSim IV simulator that is currently used by APD. L-3 Communications is the manufacturer and authorized distributor of the PatrolSim simulator.