

## A G E N D A



## Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

12168

Agenda Number

33.

Meeting Date:

January 26, 2012

Department:

Purchasing

### Subject

Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month agreement through U.S. Communities IT Products Services and Solutions Cooperative with INSIGHT PUBLIC SECTOR, INC., for the purchase of equipment, installation, hardware and software support services, commissioning, and online hosting for new mobile communication services for Emergency Medical Services ambulances in an amount not to exceed \$156,695.

### Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$156,695.36 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of the Emergency Medical Services Department.

### Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:

Cooperative Purchase.

Prior Council Action:



For More Information:

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Boards and  
Commission Action:

MBE / WBE:

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

EMS has a requirement to transmit emergency response Electrocardiograph (EKG) information to Cardiac Hospitals for cardiac patients. Timely delivery of this information to receiving hospitals, along with electronic patient care records, is critical to improving patient outcomes in our community. In addition, EMS is required by law to deliver patient care records to receiving hospitals within 24 hours of patient admittance.

This purchase with Insight Public Sector, Inc., Tempe, AZ, will provide EMS with a new mobile communications service installed in 60 EMS ambulances in support of the above business requirements. In addition, the new mobile communications service will:

- Provide a means for EMS to send critical patient EKG data to hospitals and doctors wirelessly and immediately via wireless communications;
- Provide lower-cost wireless communications for currently used Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and electronic Patient Care Records (ePCR) by consolidating multiple cellular data plans and devices into a single cellular device and plan without affecting current services;
- Replace currently installed cellular modems (modems will be re-purposed by the CTM Wireless shop for other City Departments).