

CIP EXPENSE DETAIL

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:
CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

6/12/14
Purchasing

SUBJECT: Authorize award, negotiation, and execution of a 12-month requirements supply and service agreement with BRAZOS TECHNOLOGY to provide electronic citation and crash software, hardware, and hosting services for the City of Austin in amount not to exceed \$1,593,623, with four 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$767,000 each for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$4,661,623.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

Department:	Communications and Technology Management
Project Name:	Wireless' Vehicle Equipment
Fund/Department/Unit:	8641-5607-2023
Funding Source:	Critical Onetime Fund
Current Appropriation:	2,787,120.00
Unencumbered Balance:	1,662,137.00
Amount of This Action:	(67,200.00)
Remaining Balance:	<u>1,594,937.00</u>
Total Amount of this Action	<u><u>1,594,937.00</u></u>

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: This contract with Brazos Technology, College Station, Texas, is for the purchase of an electronic citation and crash documentation system consisting of software and hosting services, handheld citation devices, portable printers and other required hardware for an estimated 561 patrol cars for the Austin Police Department. The contract represents "Phase II" of APD's Electronic Citations project. The initial phase of this project successfully deployed 200 systems.

This request is for a new contract to complete Phase II of the project with the purchase of eCitation and eCrash devices, software, hosting and warranty services, maintenance, parts and accessories. The new contract is sized to accommodate purchases for Council-approved additions to APD's vehicle fleet as well as to equip the complement (425 vehicles) of APD's existing fleet. All patrol vehicles funded in Fiscal Year 2014, and future vehicles, will be equipped with eCitation handheld ticket writers, printers, and other related necessities. The new contract will also provide spending authority to equip the Austin Fire Department and the Austin Transportation Department with eCitations equipment to be purchased in Fiscal Year 2015 as budgets allow.

The electronic citation system replaces the manual process of citation issuance and citation data entry still used by a majority of APD patrol officers. Most citations are written out by hand by the police officer and the Municipal Court uses the written ticket to manually input the citation data into the court's judicial enforcement management system (JEMS).

The eCitation solution has proven its worth in improved officer safety, time saved in traffic stops, increased accuracy, reduced costs in ticket processing, and overall improved service to citizens. Electronic citations increase safety by allowing for quicker citation issuance, thereby lessening the time that an officer and citizen