



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting June 27, 2023

DATE: June 27, 2023

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Eventide Voice Recorder Upgrade for the P25 Public Safety Radio System

CAPTION:

Motion authorizing a one-year service agreement with DigitalMarkets, Inc., dba Vista Com, of Houston, through the HGAC Cooperative, as part of the P25 upgrade to the Public Safety Radio System in an amount not to exceed \$199,250, of which the City will pay \$149,437.50 based on 75% ownership, Nueces County will pay \$37,857.50 based on 19% ownership, and the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) will pay \$11,955.00 based on 6% ownership per the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for the Radio System P25 upgrade, with FY 2023 funding from the Police2020 Bond18 Fund and Interlocal Cooperation Agreement.

SUMMARY:

The City of Corpus Christi, Nueces County, and the RTA are owners of the P25 Public Safety Radio System. This service agreement authorizes the upgrade of the Eventide Voice Recorder equipment to record radio traffic on the P25 Public Safety Radio system. The existing Eventide voice recording equipment has reached end of life and will not be supported in the future.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The voice recording equipment will be utilized to record radio traffic on the P25 Public Safety Radio system. The existing voice recording equipment is no longer being

manufactured because the technology is outdated. Upgrading to their latest equipment which utilized the latest technology will benefit the P25 Public Safety Radio System. DigitalMarkets, Inc., dba Vista Com will configure, install, and integrate the new voice recording equipment into the P25 Radio system.

PROCUREMENT DETAIL:

Information Technology in conjunction with Finance & Procurement examined other cooperative contracts and service offering to find the most cost-effective option for the City. Contracts awarded through the cooperatives have been competitively procured in compliance with Texas local and State procurement requirements. Comparisons between DIR, HGAC, and the retail open market pricing showed a 16.08% discount from retail using HGAC Coop, with total savings of \$38,191.00.

	List Price	Discount
MSRP	\$237,441.00	
DIR	\$199,892.62	15.81%
HGAC Coop	\$199,250.00	16.08%

ALTERNATIVES:

No alternative. The system is end of life and is necessary for the safety of citizens.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact in FY 2023 is an amount not to exceed \$199,250 for the purchase and installation of the upgraded voice recording system from DigitalMarkets, Inc., dba Vista Com.

The City of Corpus Christi’s allocation of \$149,437.50 is funded through general obligation bonds approved by the voters in 2018. The City’s funding was approved in the 2018 bond election and has been secured through the issuance of voter-approved general obligation bonds. Based on ownership of the radio system, \$37,857.50 is funded from Nueces County and \$11,955.00 is funded from the RTA for a total of \$49,812.50 per the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement defining Nueces County and the RTA as owners of the Public Safety Radio System.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund: 3343 Police2020 Bd2018
 Organization: 89
 Department: 29
 Project # (CIP Only):Police Radio Communication System -18038A
 Activity: 18038A-3343-EXP
 Account: 550720
 Amount: \$149,437.50

Fund: 3340 Police CIP
 Organization: 89
 Department: 29
 Project # (CIP Only):Police Radio Communication System -18038A
 Activity: 18038A-3340-EXP
 Account: 550720
 Amount: \$49,812.50

RECOMMENDATION:

City staff recommend approving the motion as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Service Agreement

Price Sheet