



## AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of February 17, 2015  
Action Item for the City Council Meeting of February 24, 2015

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**DATE:** February 17, 2015

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### Purchase and Installation of an Alerting System

#### **CAPTION:**

Motion approving the purchase and installation of an Alerting System from Daily-Wells Communications, San Antonio, Texas based on sole source for a total amount of \$117,584. Funds have been budgeted by the Fire Department in FY 2014-2015.

#### **PURPOSE:**

The Alerting System will replace an existing system which has been in place for the past twenty-five years (25) years and which currently operates by radio frequency. The new system will operate through internet protocol, which will make messaging near instantaneous, reducing response times. Multiple stations will also be able to be alerted at the same time. The System can support up to 255 stations and up to 24 dispatch positions. Converting to internet protocol between the central site and the fire stations broadens connectivity options. The server allows dispatchers at remote locations to interact with the system over the internet protocol connection.

Voice dispatcher announcements can be made over an internet protocol or radio. The radio mode is useful when a dispatcher's announcement must be sent simultaneously to mobile units and fire stations. The fire station unit can be configured to activate the PA system automatically, play unique tones, display apparatus status, open bay doors or control station lights.

#### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

Dailey-Wells Communications is the only authorized Harris Corporation Network Solutions Provider to provide system sales and service support to this system and all agencies operating on this communication system.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

None.

**OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

Not applicable.

**CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

This purchase conforms to the City’s purchasing policies and procedures and State statutes regulating procurement.

**EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:**

Non-emergency.

**DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

Fire Department

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Operating       Revenue       Capital       Not applicable

<b>Fiscal Year: 2014-2015</b>	<b>Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)</b>	<b>Current Year</b>	<b>Future Years</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
Line Item Budget		\$176,784.03		\$176,784.03
Encumbered / Expended Amount		\$26,024.53		\$26,024.53
This item		\$117,584.00		\$117,584.00
BALANCE		\$33,175.50		\$33,175.50

Fund(s): General Fund

**Comments:**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the motion as presented.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Price Sheet