

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting December 14, 2021

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Emergency Equipment Installation and Repairs for Police Vehicles

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing a six-month service agreement with C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment, of Corpus Christi, Texas, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 for installation and repairs of emergency equipment in City of Corpus Christi Police Department service vehicles with FY 2022 funding available in the General Fund.

SUMMARY:

This resolution authorizes a six-month service agreement for emergency equipment installation and repairs for Corpus Christi Police Department service vehicles. It is necessary that this service be performed quickly to keep the police vehicles on the road for the protection of the Corpus Christi residents.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) is recommending utilizing C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment, to perform minor body repairs, limited structural work, installation, and removal of equipment in service vehicles. Service vehicles must be repaired quickly, and C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment, is able to meet the needs of the CCPD by getting the service vehicles back into operation in a quick timeframe.

The vendor will repair minor body damage, perform limited structural work to the vehicles and electrical work required for in-car video equipment, police radios, light bars, etc. By consolidating these repairs to one vendor, service vehicles will return to the streets quicker. C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment, is one of a few companies in the southern region of the State of Texas that is certified to install and remove the Panasonic in-car camera in the service vehicles.

CCPD was using AutoWorks, of Corpus Christi, Texas, to perform this work, but AutoWorks pulled out of the contract because they could not quickly enough repair out-of-service vehicles due to labor issues. As

a result, some of the service vehicles were not turned around for upwards of 30 days. The contract with AutoWorks was for \$300,013.00 for two years, with two additional one-year periods.

CCPD currently has an interim contract with C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment, for \$50,000.00 to perform the work until a new service agreement is issued. Under the interim contract, C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment has been able to turnaround CCPD's vehicles quickly, in a timeframe acceptable to CCPD. CCPD is therefore satisfied with C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment performance and recommends continuing to work with them.

The proposed contract with C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment, is not to exceed \$200,000.00. Staff recommends the amount of up to \$200,000.00 because there remains a back log of vehicles needing repairs and upfittings stemming from the AutoWorks contract, as well as other vehicles that will be identified in the coming months as part of the regular process. Additionally, the not to exceed amount of \$200,000.00 provides the City with funding to continue repairing and upfitting vehicles without interruption if the contract period needs to be extended with C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment for unforeseen circumstances during the timeframe in which the City will prepare a competitive solicitation. The City estimates a timeframe of six months to prepare a competitive solicitation for this work.

PROCUREMENT DETAIL:

With the incumbent's inability to perform the necessary work in the timeframe required, and in order to meet the immediate departmental needs, the City will operate under the statutory exception provided within the Local Government Code, Section 252.022(a) (2), as this purchase is necessary to provide to preserve or protect the public health and safety of the municipality's residents.

The proposed agreement will be for six months in order to provide time for the City to prepare a competitive solicitation without interrupting its ability to provide core police services to the public.

The not to exceed amount of \$200,000.00 provides the City with enough funding to continue repairing and upfitting vehicles without interruption if the interim contract period needs to be extended for any unforeseen circumstances while the City prepares a competitive solicitation.

AutoWorks is the only other local vendor certified to perform the required work, but they pulled out of the last contract due to the inability to repair vehicles quickly. CCPD is satisfied C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment.

ALTERNATIVES:

If C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment, is not approved, all Police vehicles will have to be taken to Houston to complete the repairs, installs, and removals. This will lead to increased times that Police vehicles are out of service.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for FY 2022 is an amount of \$200,000.00 from the Police General Fund.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund: 1020 General Fund

Organization/Activity: 11740

Mission Element: 151 Respond to Law Enforcement Calls

Project # (CIP Only): N/A Account: 530230 Amount: \$200,000.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this resolution authorizing a six-month service agreement with C & S Plating & Bumper Recycling, Inc., dba C & S Truck and Van Equipment, for emergency equipment installation and repairs for Police vehicles as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Resolution Price Sheet Service Agreement