

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2022-038

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVES WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE BID AND ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDER TO FTS FOREST TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS LTD. (FTS), VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA FOR THE PURCHASE OF REMOTE AUTOMATIC WEATHER STATIONS (RAWS)

WHEREAS, the Fire Department requested six fixed RAWS and one mobile RAWS as part of a RAWS grant which was awarded on September 16, 2020 by CalOES; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department's research revealed that the only units that would comply with Federal annual maintenance requirements from the Interagency Wildland Fire Weather Station Standards & Guidelines (PMS426-3) are the FTS RAWS; and

WHEREAS, each unit must be serviced annually, and the maintenance must comply with Interagency Wildland Fire Weather Station Standards & Guidelines (PMS426-3); and

WHEREAS, FTS equipment is specifically designed to meet and exceed the Interagency Wildland Fire Weather Station Standards & Guidelines (PMS426-3) published by the National Wildfire Coordination Group (NWCG); and

WHEREAS, FTS is 100% compliant on all aspects of PMS 426.3 and FTS equipment is fully supported by the National Interagency Fire Center; and

WHEREAS, City Code §3-08.100 provides for a waiver of competitive bidding if there are valid reasons for such a waiver; and

WHEREAS, FTS has been determined through research and documentation to be the manufacturer and only distributor in North America of the FTS RAWS stations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa authorizes a waiver of competitive bidding and approves the issuance of a Purchase Order to FTS Forest Technology Systems LTD., Victoria BC for the purchase of six fixed Remote Automatic Weather Stations (RAWS) and one mobile station in the amount of \$155,826.96.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to pay all proper claims for this Purchase Order out of Fire Department Federal Project Fund 05107.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 1st day of March, 2022.

AYES: (7) Mayor C. Rogers, Vice Mayor Alvarez, Council Members Fleming, MacDonald, N. Rogers, Sawyer, Schwedhelm

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____
City Attorney

Exhibit A – FTS Quote