Agenda Item #12.1 For Council Meeting of: November 9, 2021

CITY OF SANTA ROSA CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL FROM: SCOTT WESTROPE, FIRE CHIEF - FIRE BRANDALYN TRAMEL, PURCHASING AGENT - FINANCE ANNA MCAULIFFE, RESEARCH AND PROGRAM COORD - FIRE SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO DAY MANAGEMENT CORPORATION DBA DAY WIRELESS SYSTEMS FOR THE PURCHASE OF 130 BENDIX KING PORTABLE RADIOS AND REQUIRED ACCESSORIES THROUGH BK/RELM NASPO VALUEPOINT MASTER AGREEMENT NUMBER 06913 VIA THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM NUMBER 7-16-58-15

AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Fire and Finance Departments that the Council, by resolution, approve the issuance of a Purchase Order to Day Management Corporation dba Day Wireless Systems of Milwaukie, Oregon for the purchase of 130 Bendix King KNG2 portable radios and required accessories through BK/Relm NASPO Contract Number 06913 cooperative agreement via the State of California Participating Addendum Number 7-16-58-15 and related amendments, in an amount not to exceed \$345,000.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Fire Department is in need of replacing its obsolete portable radios to be in compliance with current Federal and State standards and provide Fire Operations staff with updated compliant communications equipment. This purchase will utilize funding from the previously allocated PG&E Settlement Funds.

BACKGROUND

The Fire Department is currently using wildland portable radios that were placed into service in 2005. These radios are failing and don't have the channel capacity to accept the state-wide mutual aid channel load needed for mutual aid responses. These portable radios are also not P-25 compliant which enables interoperability among digital two-way mobile radio communications and is the new industry standard for public safety radios.

This item, if approved, will allow the purchase of 130 Bendix King KNG2 portable radios and required accessories for Fire Operations staff. Each firefighter will be issued a radio

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that will be part of the assigned safety equipment. All staff will have a current version of the standard radio for routine operations as well as out-of-county deployments. Additionally, when an "all-call" is executed, whereby all personnel are called in to report to the City for a major fire or other disaster, firefighters will already be equipped with a radio that has all the necessary programmed channels and can get in service safely and quickly using any available City vehicle.

A committee of experienced Fire Department staff researched and rated radios based on various requirements and features. The radio selected, the Bendix King KNG2, is the CalFire specification which has the channel capacity to support state-wide mutual aid channel load, is P-25 compliant and meets the minimum requirements of the department.

This purchase will utilize the BK/Relm NASPO Contract Number 06913 via the State of California Participating Addendum Number 7-16-58-15 so pricing is lower than standard market value. The vendor, Day Wireless Systems, is a certified manufacturer subcontractor for this region and maintains all the provisions of the cooperative agreement.

The new Bendix King KNG2 portable radios are essential in closing the communications gap and ensuring an efficient, effective and safe incident response by increasing communications capabilities between Fire Operations staff and public safety agencies.

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW

Not applicable.

ANALYSIS

This purchase of portable radios is part of the Fire Department's Wildland Resiliency and Response Strategic Plan project (WUI 2.0) and will be funded with the previously allocated PG&E Settlement funds. The new radios will significantly improve the Fire Department's capacity and abilities to prevent, mitigate, and respond to wildland fires by providing improved communications among department staff and public safety agencies across the state.

This item will approve the purchase of 130 Bendix King KNG2 portable radios and required accessories from Day Management Corp of Milwaukie, OR, through BK/Relm NASPO Contract Number 06913 cooperative agreement via the State of California Participating Addendum Number 7-16-58-15 and related amendments in the form of a lump sum amount not to exceed \$345,000.

BK/Relm NASPO Contract Number 06913 was secured under a competitive bidding process that assists local governments in reducing costs through this government-to-government procurement service available nationwide.

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Santa Rosa City Code Section 3-08.160 allows for cooperative purchases when advantageous to the City. This cooperative procurement process includes research, specifications preparation, pre-bid and preproposal conferences, legal notice posting and advertising, bid/proposal review and contract execution available at a national level. Additional benefits to utilizing a cooperative purchase agreement is an expedited procurement process, volume purchasing discounts, on-duty professional staff assistance, research and development of technical specifications, and contract management services provided by the lead agency. Staff has determined that a new competitive bid solicitation would not result in achieving beneficial competitive results.

FISCAL IMPACT

The one-time equipment purchase in an amount not to exceed \$345,000 will utilize PG&E Settlement funds that were previously approved and appropriated to JL Key 05110.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The Council finds that the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under section 15061(b)(3) and 15378 in that there is no possibility that the implementation of this action may have significant effects on the environment, and that no further environmental review is required.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable.

NOTIFICATION

Not applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1 BK/Relm NASPO Contract Number 06913 Master Agreement and Amendments 1 - 3
- Attachment 2 State of California Participating Addendum Number 7-16-58-15 and Amendments 1 4
- Resolution

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