

Legislation Text

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SUBJECT:

Approval of the purchase and installation of equipment for Police vehicles from GT Distributors, Inc., Applied Concepts, Inc. d/b/a Stalker Radar, Enforcement Video, LLC (WatchGuard), and the Lower Colorado River Authority via multiple cooperative contracts.

BACKGROUND / RATIONALE:

The City will be buying several vehicles for the Police Department, including 11 Police Pursuit vehicles and four (4) vehicles to be utilized by the Criminal Investigation Division (CID). Of the 11 Police Pursuit vehicles, ten (10) are replacements and one (1) is an addition to the fleet and will be assigned to one of the new Officers authorized in the FY 2016-17 adopted budget. The vehicles all require the purchase and installation of additional equipment including, but not limited to, radar systems, cages, consoles, and light bars prior to being placed into service. Additionally, one of the new Police Pursuit vehicles will require the purchase and installation of a body-worn, in-car camera system that is now standard equipment in Police Pursuit vehicles. The table below provides additional details regarding the expenditures.

Equipment Type	Vendor	Unit Cost	Qty	Total Cost
Vehicle Accessories	GT Distributors, Inc.	\$7,129	14	\$ 99,806
Installation Services	LCRA	\$2,607	14	\$ 36,498
Radar Systems	Stalker Radar	\$2,285	11	\$ 25,135
Body/In-Car Camera System	WatchGuard	\$7,345	1	\$ 7,345
Total				\$ 168,784

The above-stated equipment will be purchased utilizing various cooperative contracts that offer the best value for the goods and services based upon review by City staff. GT Distributors, Inc. is providing the vehicle accessories, such as light bars, cages, consoles, and bumpers, via a Buyboard contract. The City is utilizing two Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) contracts; one contract to purchase radar systems from Applied Concepts, Inc. (d/b/a Stalker Radar), and the other to purchase a body-worn, in-car camera system from Enforcement Video, LLC (WatchGuard). A cooperative contract with the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) will provide the removal of old equipment and installation of new equipment into the vehicles.

ADDRESSES A NEED/ISSUE IN A CITY PLAN OR COUNCIL PRIORITY:

Yes	Strategic Priorities 4:	Continue to ensure the protection of citizen's lives and property.
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FISCAL IMPACT:

The majority of the equipment is being placed into vehicles that are replacements for the City's fleet so the Equipment Replacement Fund will provide the necessary funds for the pending purchases. The equipment for the new Police vehicles will be paid from the General Fund. Therefore, sufficient funds are available to purchase all above-referenced equipment.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the purchase and installation of equipment for Police vehicles from GT Distributors, Inc., Applied Concepts, Inc. d/b/a Stalker Radar, Enforcement Video, LLC (WatchGuard), and the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) via multiple cooperative contracts.