

AWARD OF SOLE-SOURCE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO AM-TEC TOTAL SECURITY, INC. FOR CIP 685 – REAL TIME CRIME CENTER

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SUMMARY

- The City of Hermosa Beach secured \$963,000 in federal funding to establish a Real-Time Crime Center (RTCC) aimed at enhancing law enforcement response and community safety. The RTCC will integrate cameras, servers, and additional technology on vehicles, to provide real-time information for public safety operations.



BACKGROUND

With support from United States Representative Ted Lieu, the City of Hermosa Beach secured \$963,000 in federal funding to establish the RTCC, which will enable officers real-time access to critical law enforcement data. Once fully operational, the RTCC will enhance the Hermosa Beach Police Department's (HBPD) ability to respond swiftly and effectively to criminal activity and critical incidents. RTCC technology will include a unified camera system, an integrated operating platform, and other hardware to access real-time information.



DISCUSSION

- A major component of the RTCC is renovating the antiquated camera, storage and viewer system.
- Multiple camera systems are utilized, and significant amount of time is spend accessing all these systems.
- Need to upgrade camera system and servers and merge them under a modernized platform that can sustain all cameras, new and old, in the department.

DISCUSSION

- Staff worked with Am-Tec Total Security to recognize strategic areas to install at intersections throughout the City.
 - Provides additional support for officers in investigations, responding to calls, and deterring criminal activities
- Incorporate four urgently needed servers to maintain current and future storage needs

PROCUREMENT APPROACH

- **Seamless Integration** – Wisenet Wave is the newest platform recently implemented. Training was provided to Department personnel and proven to be user-friendly and navigable. Introducing another software system can hinder efficiency and collaboration.
- **Cost Efficiency** – Wave software was one-time purchase and registrations can be transferrable. There are no reoccurring fees compared to other vendors. Only ongoing cost is maintenance at a quarterly basis. All cameras have warranty and Am-Tec is responsible for replacements if needed.



PROCUREMENT APPROACH

- **Existing equipment** – Am-Tec is familiarized with the multiple camera systems and have worked on implementing them into new Wave software. Am-Tec is aware of what is required to merge all camera systems and preliminary implementation process.
- **Consistency and Reliability** – Am-Tec is very responsive and attentive, and works closely with management to guarantee any request at a quick rate of time. Their understanding of the project has gained the trust and rapport from the Department.



PROCUREMENT APPROACH

- Continuing with Am-Tec ensures that current and future cameras will be on same software system to better manage footage and files.
- If another vendor was selected, it would introduce yet another camera system and affect existing operational efficiency.
- Due to federal grant requirements, prior written approval from COPS was required to move forward with any contract over \$250,000.
 - Am-tec is the approved vendor.



FISCAL IMPACT

- The Real-Time Crime Center CIP Project 685 is included in the FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget in the Fund 150 Grants Fund
- Recommended purchase of \$494,819.79 with a 10% contingency for a total of \$544,301.77.
 - 4 servers
 - 18 cameras
 - Mobile Command Center
 - Radio equipment
 - Cables and conduits
 - Installation and labor



RECOMMENDATION

1. Adopt City staff findings and award a construction contract for CIP Project 685 – Real-time Crime Center to Am-Tec Total Security, Inc. on a sole-source basis in the amount of \$494,819.79;
2. Authorize the Director of Public Works to establish a project contingency amount of \$49,481.98 and to approve contract change orders up to the amount of the approved project contingency;
3. Determine that Capital Improvement Program (“CIP”) Project 685 – Real-time Crime Center Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 153011 (Existing Facilities);

RECOMMENDATION

4. Adopt the attached resolution entitled “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Hermosa Beach Approving the Construction of Capital Improvement Program Project 685 - Real-time Crime Center Project Pursuant to Government Code Section 830, Establishing a Project Payment Account, and Awarding a Sole-Source Contract to Am-tec Total Security, Inc.” ;
5. Authorize the City Manager to execute the construction contract and the City Clerk to attest, subject to approval by the City Attorney; and
6. Authorize the Director of Public Works to file a Notice of Completion following final completion of the project and the City Clerk to record the document with Los Angeles County