



**PURCHASING ITEM
FOR
COUNCIL AGENDA**

1. Agenda Item Number:

56

2. Council Meeting Date:

July 31, 2008

TO: MAYOR & COUNCIL

3. Date Prepared: July 11, 2008

THROUGH: CITY MANAGER

4. Requesting Department: Fire Department

5. SUBJECT: Approval of the purchase and installation of an audio/visual system for the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) from ExhibitOne Corporation, utilizing the Arizona State contract #EPS060125, in an amount not to exceed \$224,542.

6. RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval of the utilization of Arizona State contract #EPS060125 for the purchase and installation of an audio/visual system for the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) from ExhibitOne Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$224,542.

7. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is a critical facility for the security and safety of the City of Chandler. During large-scale emergencies and disasters, the EOC will become the seat of government, and will serve as a central location where critical scene support, emergency operations decisions and emergency declarations can be made. The collection and communication of current and accurate information is critical to the success of any emergency operation. The Audio / Visual equipment that our current EOC uses is outdated and inadequate for current and future operations. This part of the overall EOC project will allow us to upgrade the Audio / Visual technology for our new EOC. These upgrades are necessary to meet the changing and growing needs of our community. This new technology will provide us the means to collect, coordinate and disseminate information during critical operations. It will allow the EOC staff to simultaneously use multiple sources of data, information from media, and our new Crisis Management software to enhance the ability to respond to any emergency promptly and efficiently.

8. EVALUATION PROCESS: The State of Arizona Procurement Office has competitively bid audio and video products and services and an award was made to multiple vendors. The use of this contract eliminates the cost of issuing a bid and captures the State's volume purchasing power by receiving deeper discounts. A purchase order will be used as the contract to purchase these products and services.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Funds for this service are available in are available in:
101.2210.0000.5412

10. PROPOSED MOTION: Move to approve the purchase and installation of an audio/visual system for the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) from ExhibitOne Corporation, utilizing the Arizona State contract #EPS060125, in an amount not to exceed \$224,542.

APPROVALS

11. Requesting Department

Lance Trella, Battalion Chief

12. Department Head

Tom Carlson, Acting Fire Chief

13. Procurement Officer

Carolee Stees, CPPB

14. City Manager

W. Mark Pentz