



PURCHASING ITEM
FOR
COUNCIL AGENDA

1. Agenda Item Number:

25

2. Council Meeting Date:

May 28, 2009

TO: MAYOR & COUNCIL

3. Date Prepared: May 1, 2009

THROUGH: CITY MANAGER

4. Requesting Department: Police

5. **SUBJECT:** Approve the utilization of the City of Scottsdale Contract #2008-172-COS for the purchase of a digital imaging management system from Dataworks in an amount not to exceed \$85,095.

6. **RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend approval of the utilization of the City of Scottsdale Contract #2008-172-COS for the purchase of a digital imaging management system from Dataworks in an amount not to exceed \$85,095

7. **HISTORICAL BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:** The Chandler Police Department's (CPD) Forensic Services Section responds to calls for service to photograph and document crimes. The CPD Crime Lab was successful in receiving a grant through the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) to purchase a digital imaging management system.

8. **EVALUATION PROCESS:** The City of Scottsdale has bid this digital imaging management system and awarded a contract to Dataworks. The use of this contract eliminates the cost of issuing a bid and allows Chandler to receive the same pricing that Scottsdale received.

9. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:** Funds for this purchase will be from Grants in Aid Fund, Police Forensic Services, Other Equipment, National Institute of Justice - Coverdell, account number 217-2021-6320-PD1241 (\$45,095) and General Funds, Forensic Services Section, Other, account number 101-2021-0-6320 (\$40,000)

10. **PROPOSED MOTION:** Move to approve the purchase of a digital imaging management system from Dataworks, utilizing the City of Scottsdale Contract #2008-172-COS, in the amount of \$85,095.

APPROVALS

11. Requesting Department


Joe Gaylord, Assistant Police Chief

12. Department Head


Sherry Kiyler, Police Chief

13. Procurement Officer


Carolee Stees, CPPB

14. City Manager


W. Mark Pentz



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MEMORANDUM

Police Department – Memo 2009-040

DATE: MAY 8, 2009

TO: SHERRY KIYLER, POLICE CHIEF *SK*
STEPHEN PHILBRICK, DIRECTOR, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY *PH for SP*

FROM: JOSEPH GAYLORD, ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF *JG*

SUBJECT: DIGITAL IMAGING FOR CRIME LAB

The digital storage system used in the Chandler Police Department Crime Lab is in desperate need of upgrading. Problems with the system have resulted in the loss of numerous photographs. There have been several meetings between the lab personnel and Information Technology regarding possible solutions; three different vendors have been consulted about upgrading our current system.

In the past, we have attempted to place the photos on a drive to which only lab personnel had access. However, this drive was not backed up regularly. We then started to use EDMS; it was during this time that five days of photographs were determined to be missing, and the photographs cannot be located or recovered. We have stopped using the EDMS to avoid the loss of more photographs.

Dataworks is a specialized imaging management system where photographs and documents of crime scenes can be stored and readily called back. IT and lab personnel have agreed that Dataworks will address and solve the Police Department's photo storage issue. The Dataworks system also has the capability of storing the digital recordings that officers create on a daily basis while on calls. At this time, these recordings are not stored as evidence, and that has the potential to become an issue with the courts in the future.

The Chandler Police Department was successful in obtaining a grant through the National Institute of Justice to purchase a digital imaging management system. However, the grant would have to be supplemented by one-time funding in order to purchase the system. We have the funding for this at this time and need to move forward in obtaining the upgrade. The Police Department understands that if an upgrade or replacement is needed, it will be our responsibility to find the funding.

Dataworks can be added to the city network with little impact to the infrastructure. Dataworks has proposed a Dell system but can utilize an IBM server, which is the city standard. The department has no issues with going with an IBM server for this software. At this time we have planned for a two-year service support but will inquire about a five-year support from the vendor. After the change from Dell to IBM, and the increase in support if we have the funding for five years we will secure the extra time frame.