



TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
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SUBJECT: Mobile Ruggedized Computers for Tacoma Police Department
Request for Proposals Specification No. PD13-0742F, Contract No. 4600009652
July 12, 2016
DATE: June 28, 2016

SUMMARY:

The Information Technology Department requests approval to increase Contract No. 4600009652 with WAT, Inc. (Wireless Access Technologies), Bellingham, WA by \$95,286.92, plus sales tax, for the purchase of ruggedized mobile laptop computers and accessories for the Tacoma Police Department's patrol officers. The original contract was approved for \$1,257,101.50, plus sales tax. This increase will bring the contract to a cumulative total of \$1,352,388.42, plus sales tax.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.

These ruggedized laptops enable all Tacoma Police Department patrol officers to perform their duties.

BACKGROUND:

The ruggedized laptop purchase approved in 2014 was designed to replace 300 vehicle laptops used by the Tacoma Police Department. The program resulted in providing the patrol officers the technology and equipment needed to maintain appropriate levels of connectivity and efficiency and led to technology standardization across the department.

ISSUE: Since the initial contract, additional patrol staff have been planned and additional devices were identified as replacements to reduce the time a patrol officer would be without a laptop during repair or service.

The authorized purchase levels are approaching and there is \$24,788.08, plus tax, remaining on the contract. The Tacoma Police Department requires additional laptops to fill 20 vacant positions, to have replacement laptops on hand to ensure officers are not left without a laptop during the two-week turnaround time required for warranty repairs, and to replace laptops that fall outside the warranty period.

ALTERNATIVES: The alternative would be to not provide a laptop for each new patrol officer, and to not provide spares during service or warranty repairs

These alternatives could negatively impact public safety services and are therefore not recommended.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION This contract was originally awarded to WAT, Inc. (Wireless Access Technologies), Bellingham, WA by a Request for Proposals Specification No. PD13-0742F, opened on January 14, 2014. Five submittals were received and evaluated by the selection advisory committee.



CONTRACT HISTORY: The original contract was approved by Resolution No. 38873 on April 11, 2014, with an approved amount of \$1,257,101.50. The recommended increase of \$95,286.92 would bring the contract to \$1,352,388.42, plus sales tax.

SUSTAINABILITY: Both the supplier, WAT, Inc. and the manufacturer, Getac, recycle paper and reuse packaging materials prior to recycling. Used equipment is disassembled and key components that can be reused are removed. Glass and metal are reprocessed for use in future products and plastics are recycled. Getac has a Green Policy committed to technology products meeting environmental requirements such as ISO 14001 compliance, RoHS Directive Certification, WEE Directive Certification, as well as other environmental certifications.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Information Technology Department requests approval to increase Contract No. 4600009652 with WAT, Inc. (Wireless Access Technologies), Bellingham, WA by \$95,286.92, plus sales tax, for the purchase of ruggedized mobile computers, hardware, and accessories for the Tacoma Police Department’s patrol officers. The original contract was approved for \$1,257,101.50, plus sales tax. This increase will bring the contract to a cumulative total of \$1,352,388.42, plus sales tax.

FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

| FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME * | COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER) | COST ELEMENT | TOTAL AMOUNT |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 5800 – Information Systems | 595810 | 5217000 | \$95,286.92 |
| TOTAL | | | \$95,286.92 |

* General Fund: Include Department

REVENUES:

| FUNDING SOURCE | COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER) | COST ELEMENT | TOTAL AMOUNT |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 5800 – Information Systems | 595810 | 5217000 | \$95,286.92 |
| TOTAL | | | \$95,286.92 |

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: There is no fiscal impact to the current biennial budget. The costs in the amount of \$95,286.92 are appropriated and available within Fund 5800.

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes