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Study Session

March 21, 2016

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Study Session Topics

10:00 A.M. BOCC Updates (WHR)
Board of County Commissioners

Break

1:00 P.M. *Align Arapahoe - Quality Of Life (WHR)
Request: Information

Chandra DeSimone, Performance Management Analyst
Matthew Nii, Performance Management Analyst
Manisha Singh, Director, Department of Strategy and Performance
Elected Officials
Department Directors

2:00 P.M. Department Director Update (BoCC Conference Room)
Board of County Commissioners

3:00 P.M. * Drop In (WHR)
Board of County Commissioners

1. Waiver SWAT Throw Phone

Discussion of a request for the Board of County Commissioners to authorize the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners to approve the waiver of solicitation for one (1) throw phone for the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team

Request: Information/Direction

*Olga Fujaros, Budget & Logistics Manager, Sheriff's Office
Glen Thompson, Public Safety Bureau Chief, Sheriff's Office
David C. Walcher, Sheriff
Todd Weaver, Budget Manager, Finance
Tiffanie Bleau, Senior Assistant County Attorney*

Documents: [BSR WAIVER THOW PHONE .DOCX](#), [SIGNED WAIVER THROW PHONE.PDF](#)

3:10 P.M. * Executive Session (WHR)

Executive Study Session and County Attorney Administrative Meeting [Section 24-6-402 (4)(b)C.R.S.](As required by law, specific agenda topics will be announced in open meeting prior to the commencement of the closed and confidential portion of this session) (WHR)

Ron Carl, County Attorney

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Board Summary Report

Date: February 22, 2016
To: Board of County Commissioners
Through: David C. Walcher, Sheriff
From: Olga Fajaros, Budget & Logistics Manager
Subject: Waiver of Solicitation For SWAT Throw Phone

Request and Recommendation

Request the Board of County Commissioners to authorize the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners to approve the waiver of solicitation for one (1) throw phone for the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team.

Background

A "Throw Phone" is a ruggedized direct line telephone which can be *thrown* through windows and open portals in residential and commercial structures. The purpose is to utilize the phone as a direct line of communication with suspects who have either barricaded themselves or taken hostages. One tactic in peaceably resolving these incidents is to have early and on-going dialog with the suspect(s).

Discussion

There are several models and vendors who produce throw phones, however no two systems are equal. The team has selected the 836 Technologies model "CINT Commander II." This system has newer updated technology with a metro area track record of reliability. The track record was verified by speaking with area teams who currently use the phone; including Denver PD, Aurora PD, Lakewood PD, Boulder SO and Wheat Ridge PD.

Alternatives

The alternative to this proposal is to purchase nothing or lesser quality/performing equipment. If the option to continue servicing our current phone is selected, history has shown that there is no reliability. When human life is hanging in the balance during a heightened crisis situation such as hostage taking, the county would incur additional civil risk exposure by knowingly relying on this piece of equipment. To

purchase a less expensive/lower quality would limit the ability of the negotiators to perform at their full potential in negotiating and providing tactical intelligence to the SWAT Team.

Fiscal Impact

The cost of a single CINT Commander II is \$26,874. The funds for the purchase will come from existing Patrol operating cost center(s).

Concurrence

The Administrative Staff of the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office is in concurrence with this decision.

Reviewed By

Olga Fajaros, Budget & Logistics Manager
Glenn Thompson, Public Safety Bureau Chief
Keith Ashby, Purchasing Manger
Louie Perea, Undersheriff
David C. Walcher, Sheriff



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WAIVER OF PURCHASING POLICIES

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PROPRIETARY <input type="checkbox"/>	SELECT SOURCE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: Tactical Throw Phone Replacement

PRICE: \$26,874.00 ANNUAL MAINTENANCE: \$

FIXED ASSET Yes No FIXED ASSET # 302432

COST CENTER # G/L # 53240 IO #

JUSTIFICATION (Provide Vendor name, How were they selected, Why requesting to waive purchasing policy process): **836 technologies**. This project is to replace the existing tactical Throw Phone used by ACSO SWAT Hostage Negotiation Team (HNT). The item and manufacturer were selected based on (1) previous experience with other manufacturer's products (which were not positive), (2) research by current veteran ACSO HNT members into the few available brands and (3) common use by other regional agencies (Denver, Aurora, Lakewood, Boulder, Wheat Ridge) who praise the product and company. Purchasing the same make and model phone as these other agencies also increases the familiarity/interoperability of HNT members from all agencies, when they are called upon for mutual aid to support each other on SWAT operations during large scale or lengthy tactical situations. This product has similar but more capable audio and video listening/recording capabilities as compared to our current model.

[Signature] 4522
Requestor Name, Signature & Telephone Number 7.23.16
Date

[Signature]
Elected Official/Department Head 030316
Date

[Signature] CAPD
Purchasing Manager 3/3/16
Date

Comments: _____

Waiver approved, BoCC Reso #140221. Requestor to proceed with PO Yes No

Requestor to schedule BoCC Drop In & Create Board Summary Report Yes No

Janet Kennedy, Director of Finance (not to exceed \$100,000) _____
Date

BOCC, Chair

Date

Requestor to schedule BoCC Consent Agenda & Board Summary Report

Yes No

Resolution # _____

Per BoCC Resolution #140221 of 4/8/14, Purchasing Manager has authorization for sole approval up to \$25,000 plus exemptions to Policy