

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: CEO-Office of Emergency Services

BOARD AGENDA # *B-9

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE September 15, 2009

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO

(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

Monteith Answer

SUBJECT:

Approval of a Sole-source Purchase of Portable Radios for Local Law Enforcement and the Fire Service with Homeland Security Grant Funding

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Authorize the sole-source purchase of portable radios for law enforcement and the fire service with Homeland Security Grant funds.
2. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue a purchase order to Motorola in the amount of \$367,936.26.
3. Direct the Auditor-Controller to transfer \$369,990 within fixed assets to services and supplies as detailed in the Budget Journal.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total cost to purchase 298 portable radios for 12 fire districts, the Sheriff's Department, Oakdale Police Department and Modesto Police Department command post is \$367,936.26. This funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2008 Homeland Security Grant. The Fiscal Year 2008 Homeland Security Grant was accepted by the Board of Supervisors November 25, 2008.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2009-630

On motion of Supervisor Grover, Seconded by Supervisor Monteith

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Grover, Monteith, and Chairman DeMartini

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

4) _____ Other:

MOTION:

Christine Ferraro

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

DISCUSSION:

This item is submitted to the Board of Supervisors to authorize the purchase of portable radios for the Sheriff's Department, Oakdale Police Department, 12 fire districts and the Modesto Police Department command post. The funding is through the Fiscal Year 2008 (FY08) Homeland Security Grant.

On November 25, 2008, the Board of Supervisors accepted the FY08 Homeland Security Grant. Included in this grant was \$431,648 for the regional interoperable communication project.

On June 30, 2009, the Board approved the application for the Fiscal Year 2009 (FY09) Homeland Security Grant. Within that grant law enforcement and fire representatives identified the significant need for portable radios for first responders. Many of the radios currently used by first responders are so old the radios can no longer be repaired and they are not compliant with the APCO Project 25 (P25) radio standard for Regional Interoperability Communications. Stanislaus County does not have enough portable radios to equip all of its law enforcement and fire first responders. To address this issue, \$505,264 was identified for the purchase of portable radios. Stanislaus County has not received approval for the FY09 Homeland Security Grant. Approval from the State of California is anticipated by October 2, 2009.

Through September 18, 2009, Motorola is offering an \$800 factory discount on the type of portable radios used by the Sheriff's Department, Oakdale Police Department and the fire service. The discount allows Stanislaus County to purchase 173 more radios than anticipated for first responders, for a total of 298 radios. To take advantage of the significant factory discount, the Office of Emergency Services (OES) received approval from the California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) to modify the FY08 Homeland Security Grant allowing the purchase of portable radios in lieu of the equipment for the regional interoperable communication project.

After approval is received from Cal EMA for the FY09 Homeland Security Grant, staff from Stanislaus Regional 911, law enforcement, the fire service and OES will review the Regional Interoperable Communications Project and the continued need for portable radios by first responders and make recommendations for any necessary modifications of the FY09 Homeland Security Grant equipment purchases.

To achieve interoperability and standardize equipment, Cal EMA approved the sole source procurement authorization for purchase of the radios from Motorola. County Counsel and General Services Agency (GSA) Purchasing Division approved the use of a sole source for this purchase. GSA Purchasing concurs that this purchase from Delta Wireless (the only authorized dealer for Motorola radios in this region) is in the best interest of the County, and sees no real competitive advantage to bid this purchase of portable radios.

POLICY ISSUES:

Acceptance of this grant supports the Board's priorities of *A safe community* and *Effective partnerships* by enhancing the ability of local jurisdictions to prevent, deter, respond to and recover from disaster incidents.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There is no staffing impact associated with this grant.

**County of Stanislaus: Auditor-Controller
Legal Budget Journal**

Database
Set of Books


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County of Stanislaus

Balance Type		Budget
Category	* List - Text	Budget - Upload
Source	* List - Text	
Currency	* List - Text	USD
Budget Name	List - Text	CEO / OES
Batch Name	Text	
Journal Name	Text	CEO / OES 09/03/09
Journal Description	Text	FY08 SHSP Interop / Portables
Journal Reference	Text	
Organization	List - Text	Stanislaus Budget Org

Upl	Fund	Org	Acc't	GL Proj	Loc	Misc	Other	Debit		Credit		Period	Line Description
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Pb	1697	0017252	84550								40500	Sep-09	Fixed Assets
Pb	1697	0017252	60402								8000	Sep-09	Services/Supplies
Pb	1697	0017252	62990					369990				Sep-09	Exp. Equip

Totals: 369990 369990

Explanation: FY08 Homeland Security Grant - Moving interoperable communications funding from fixed assets
for the purchase of portable radios for law enforcem

Requesting Department		CEO	Data Entry		Auditors Office Only	
Deb Thrasher			Keyed by		Prepared By	
Signature		Signature	Date		Approved By	
3-Sep-09		9/8/09	Date		Date	
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