



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, December 19, 2017

Council Session

Item G-14

#2017-361 - Approving Purchase of Body Worn Cameras and Supportive Equipment

Staff Contact: Robert Falldorf, Police Chief

Council Agenda Memo

From: Robert Falldorf, Police Chief

Meeting: December 19, 2017

Subject: Purchase of Body Worn Cameras (BWC's) and Supportive Equipment

Presenter(s): Robert Falldorf, Police Chief

Background

In recent years in the field of policing throughout the world there has been an interest in new technology in the field of mobile video. Due to highly publicized incidents involving negative police and citizen contacts there has been some distrust of police amongst citizens. The advancement of mobile video options to law enforcement, especially Body Worn Cameras (BWC), has allowed law enforcement agencies to use an additional valuable tool within their arsenal to combat frivolous complaints against them and also the ability to document contacts away from their vehicles. Many law enforcement agencies evaluated the use of BWC's within their agencies and saw the value they offered; however implementation was found by many agencies to be cost prohibitive, not mainly due to the cost of the cameras themselves, but the storage and personnel requirements to maintain the systems. The Grand Island Police Department fell into this category where we had an interest in implementation; however didn't have the funds for full implementation. We do feel that we have adequate personnel in place to run a BWC system.

The Police Department was contacted during the latter part of December 2016 by Kent Coen, board member with the Edgar and Francis Reynolds Foundation. Mr. Coen advised that the board had discussed providing Reynolds Foundation funds, up to an amount of \$50,000, to use toward the purchase and implementation of BWC's for the Police Department. A quick decision needed to be made due to the fact that they needed an answer from us by January 1, 2017 on our interest to utilize the funds for BWC's (even though we would have all of 2017 to expend the funds). We realized, after looking at some initial figures, that we could effectively put together a purchase and implementation plan for the Police Department for BWC's for the amount of money the Reynolds Foundation was offering.

The Police Department verbally accepted the offer to use the Reynolds Foundation funds for the purchase and implementation of BWC's. The Police Department currently uses Data911 Mobile Video Systems for our in car camera use, so it only made sense to

inquire about the availability of BWC's through Data911. Data911 was actually designated as our Sole Source Provider for future purchases of mobile digital video systems, which would include BWC's (Resolution 2007-45). It also made sense to use Data911 as our sole source vendor for BWC's due to the fact that their BWC's are the only Cameras that will work in conjunction with our current Data911 Software.

During the year of 2017 Data911 had available what would be considered a First Generation BWC; however did advise us that they would be working on a Second Generation option throughout the year and that option would be available by the end of 2017. The Police Department did make the decision during the earlier part of 2017 that we would wait until the far superior Second Generation BWC's were available. The Police Department did receive half of the Reynolds Foundation funding (\$25,000) during the first part of 2017 and a portion of those funds (\$11,810.96) were used to purchase storage needs for BWC implementation. Some additional funds out of the initial \$25,000 of funding will be used for the purchase of server backups (\$3,468.38).

Discussion

The Police Department has been awarded up to \$50,000 from the Edgar and Francis Reynolds Foundation for the purchase and implementation of Body Worn Cameras (BWC's) for the department. Half of the foundation money (\$25,000) was received during the first part of 2017 and a portion of those funds (\$11,810.96) was already used to purchase hardware (server storage). Some of the remaining funds out of the initial \$25,000 awarded will be used to purchase server backups (\$3,468.38).

The Police Department just recently received a quote from Data911 in the amount of \$34,760 for the purchase of forty-nine (49) BWC's and for the associated docking stations to use for in-car and in-office charging. This quote also includes the cost of licensing and shipping for the BWC's and equipment.

The Police Department is now requesting approval for the purchase of the forty-nine (49) BWC's, three (3) Eight Gang in-station dock chargers, forty-nine (49) in-car docking stations, and associated licensing and shipping for this equipment, for a total purchase price of \$34,760. The Police Department will be asking that the second part of the Reynolds Foundation funds (\$25,000) be awarded prior to final purchases being made.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the purchase from Data911 for forty-nine (49) Body Worn Cameras, three (3) Eight Gang in-station dock chargers, forty-nine (49) in-car docking stations, and associated licensing and shipping for this equipment, for a total purchase price of \$34,760.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the purchase from Data911 for forty-nine (49) Body Worn Cameras, three (3) Eight Gang in-station dock chargers, forty-nine (49) in-car docking stations, and associated licensing and shipping for this equipment, for a total purchase price of \$34,760.



Broadcast Microwave Services/ Data911 Products
12305 Crosthwaite Cir.
Poway, Ca. 92064
(858) 391-3050

Quote Number:	120583
Printed Date:	12/11/2017
Ship Method:	
Assigned To:	Michael Mattal

Invoice to:

Accounts Payable
Grand Island Police Dept (NE)
111 Public Safety Drive, PO Box 1968
Grand Island NE 68802
United States

Deliver to:

Jim Duering
Grand Island Police Dept (NE)
100 East First St.
Grand Island NE 68802
United States

Qty	Part Number	Item Description	Unit Price	Ext Price
49	VXW20001	BX2 Body Worn Camera, Mount Clip, A/C USB Charging Cradle, PreRecord, Audio Mute, 12+ hr battery life, StealthMode	\$450.0000	\$22,050.00
3	VXW20010	BX2; Eight Gang in-station Dock/Charger/Upload Station for BX2 BWC. USB 3.0 Interface (Require Computer for Uploading)	\$495.0000	\$1,485.00
49	VXW20003	BX2 Vehicle dock, in-car POE docking station utilized for pairing, offload, charging. (Requires VS10, or VT10)	\$150.0000	\$7,350.00
49.0000	SW11198	License, Verus Body-Worn Camera Integration	\$75.0000	\$3,675.00
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For Product: Small Parts Method: Ground

Subtotal \$34,760.00

Out of State @ 0% \$0.00

Total \$34,760.00

Paid to date \$0.00

Remit Purchase Order To:

BMS/Data911
12305 Crosthwaite Cir.
Poway, Ca. 92064
sales@data911.com
F: (510) 865-9090

Pricing subject to prepayment or credit approval

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WHEREAS, the Grand Island Police Department fleet vehicles are equipped with mobile data and digital video systems; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited bids for four additional mobile data and digital video systems in accordance with bid specifications on file with the Grand Island Police Department; and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2007, one bid was received from Data911 Mobile Computer Systems of Chesterfield, Missouri; and

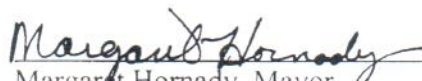
WHEREAS, Data911 Systems is the manufacturer of the Data911 mobile data and digital video systems; and

WHEREAS, to streamline the process for future purchases of mobile data and digital video systems, it is requested that Data911 Mobile Computer Systems be designated as the sole source provider for such repair work; and

WHEREAS, that the bid of Data911 Mobile Computer Systems, of Chesterfield, Missouri, in the amount of \$40,856.16 for the purchase of four mobile data systems and mobile digital video systems is hereby approved as the lowest responsible bid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that Data911 Mobile Computer Systems, of Chesterfield, Missouri is hereby designated as the sole source provider for the future purchaser of mobile data systems and mobile digital video systems for the Grand Island Police Department.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, February 27, 2007.


Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:


RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form ☒ 
February 26, 2007 ☐ City Attorney

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WHEREAS, the Police Department received notification back in December of 2016 from Kent Coen, Board Member with the Edgar and Francis Reynolds Foundation, that up to \$50,000 would be awarded to the Police Department for the purchase and implementation of Body Worn Cameras and equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department accepted the award from the Reynolds Foundation and has already made some purchases of servers and backups to implement Body Worn Cameras; and

WHEREAS, Data911 was designated as a sole source vendor for future purchases of mobile digital video systems under Resolution 2007-45 by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department received a recent quote from Data911 in the amount of \$34,760.00 to complete implementation of Body Worn Cameras and Equipment; and

WHEREAS, Data911 mobile video equipment has been reliable, and is compatible with the Police Department's archiving and evidence retrieval software and hardware; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has received prompt and reliable technical support from Data911 for several years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, to approve the purchase from Data911 of forty-nine (49) Body Worn Cameras, three (3) Eight Gang in-station dock chargers, forty-nine (49) in-car docking stations, and associated licensing and shipping for this equipment for a total purchase of \$34,760.00.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, December 19, 2017

Jeremy Jensen, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
December 15, 2017	☐ City Attorney