



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 08, 2008

Council Session

Item G12

#2008-188 - Approving Purchase of 75 Personal Computers

Staff Contact: David Springer

Council Agenda Memo

From: Dave Springer, Finance Director

Meeting: July 8, 2008

Subject: Approving Purchase of Personal Computers

Item #'s: G-12

Presenter(s): Dave Springer, Finance Director

Background

The recommended replacement and upgrade life for personal computers is in the three to four year range. We purchased 58 PCs in December, 2002 and had planned to start replacing them in 2006, but have pushed that out for the last two years. The significant expansion in communication and data processing electronically since 2002 has also increased the number of units required.

Discussion

This request is for the purchase of 75 Dell computers through a state contract for \$72,758, or an average cost of \$970 each. A few of the old computers would be used to upgrade units in areas of lessened requirements, some would be salvaged for parts, and the remainder would be disposed of in a proper environmental manner. See attached memo from Information Technology Manager, Carl Hurd. Sufficient dollars are budgeted in the IT Department.

Alternatives

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

1. Approve the contract for the PCs.
2. Disapprove or deny the contract.
3. Modify the Resolution to meet the wishes of the Council
4. Table the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the contract.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the above contract for the purchase of personal computers.

RESOLUTION 2008-188

WHEREAS, personal computers have a limited useful life and replacement or upgrade is recommended every three to four years; and

WHEREAS, the City is in the sixth year of the last group purchase of 58 PCs, necessitating their replacement and additional new needs have been identified; and

WHEREAS, the City's Information Technology Department has budgeted funds for the purchase of 75 new PCs through a state contract; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that:

A contract for the purchase of 75 personal computers in the amount of \$72,758 from state contract be entered into, and the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute such contract on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, July 8, 2008.

Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk