



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, April 28, 2009

Council Session

## Item G3

**#2009-94 - Approving Payment for Services to Platte Valley  
Communications**

Staff Contact: Steve Lamken

# Council Agenda Memo

**From:** Steven Lamken, Police Chief  
**Meeting:** April 28, 2009  
**Subject:** Approving Payment for Services - Platte Valley Communications  
**Item #'s:** G-3  
**Presenter(s):** Steven Lamken, Police Chief

## Background

The Police Department has Platte Valley Communications change out equipment in our patrol fleet cars when we put new cars into service. We have arranged for a purchase order on each car to accompany the work in past years. Purchase orders did not accompany the work this year due to changes in personnel processing the work orders. The Police Department would like to pay Platte Valley Communications for the work they have performed on our behalf.

## Discussion

The Police Department recently had the equipment switched out of six old patrol fleet vehicles and installed in six new vehicles. The work was performed by Platte Valley Communications. The scope of the work includes the removal and installation of the:

- Mobile computer system
- Mobile video system
- Mobile radar
- Radios and GPS system
- Emergency lights/sirens and controllers
- Security cage and gun lock systems.

The cost per unit can and does vary based upon the type of cars, equipment removed and installed and materials used. The costs this year for the six vehicle changeovers was:

\$ 1584.24  
1584.24

1597.19  
1984.50  
1984.50  
2035.35

\$10770.02 Total

Platte Valley Communications has performed this work for the Police Department several times in past years. In past years, a purchase order was prepared for the change over costs for each new vehicle when the work was done. Unfortunately, this was not done this year and the work was performed on the six cars without purchase orders being approved. The Police Department supervisor who manages the fleet was absent on medical leave and another supervisor who did the work misunderstood that the work could not be done under the open purchase order we have at Platte Valley due to the amount of the cost of the work. Platte Valley Communications had a different person doing the billing than from previous years and also did not know about the threshold limit for open purchase orders.

We respectfully request to pay Platte Valley Communications for the work they have performed.

### **Alternatives**

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

1. Approve the payment
2. Not pay for the work

### **Recommendation**

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the payment of \$10,770.02 for changing out Police Department vehicles equipment to Platte Valley Communications.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the payment of \$10,770.02 for changing out Police Department vehicles equipment to Platte Valley Communications.

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WHEREAS, The Police Department had Platte Valley Communications perform work in changing out equipment in six patrol fleet vehicles, and

WHEREAS, Platte Valley Communications has performed the work, and

WHEREAS, the total cost of the work was \$10,770.02

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the Mayor be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to authorize the payment of \$10,770.02 to Platte Valley Communications for work performed on patrol fleet vehicles.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, April 28, 2009.

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Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk