



# **City of Grand Island**

**Tuesday, January 26, 2010**

**Council Session**

## **Item G16**

**#2010-37 - Approving Purchase of (16) New Dell Optiplex 960 FLX  
Computers for the Police Department**

**Staff Contact: Steve Lamken**

# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** Steven Lamken, Police Chief

**Meeting:** January 26, 2010

**Subject:** Purchase of Dell Computers

**Item #'s:** G-16

**Presenter(s):** Steven Lamken, Police Chief

## **Background**

The police department has scheduled a replacement of a portion of the computer work stations in the agency based on a five year rotation. For fiscal 2010, there are 16 work stations scheduled for rotation.

The purchase was placed before council on December 1, 2009 for the purchase under state contract. Council denied the purchase directing that a bid process be conducted.

City I.T. department had a technician research and prepare suggested specifications for an advertised bid. The City's I.T. department discussed the findings presenting an opinion for the purchase of new Dell computers with specific functions.

Police Department staff prepared documents and mailings for prospective bidders in addition to discussing and working on the specifics of Police Department computers.

An ad was placed in the Grand Island Independent and four bid packets were mailed locally to vendors. The City Clerk's office received calls of inquiry; however, no bids were received by the due date of January 14, 2010.

This leaves the state contract as the only viable bid for this purchase.

## **Discussion**

Following the bid rejection on December 1, 2009, City I.T. and police department personnel performed diligent research into the computer purchase project. City I.T. personnel spent approximately ten hours and police personnel eight hours on the bid project in addition to the cost of the bid advertisement.

The bid was advertized and four bid packets were mailed to vendors seeking bids for the specified computers. No bids were received leaving the State contract as the only viable bid for the purchse.

The replacements are for various stations that include the criminal division, child abuse, evidence, patrol, victim assistance, administration, and our off site at the Grand Island Public Schools Administration building.

We have planned and budgeted for this rotation.

### **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.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the purchase of 16 Dell work stations from Dell Computer from State Bid Contract Number 12551 OC in the amount of \$23,178.24.

*Purchasing Division of Legal Department*  
**INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**



Wes Nespor, Purchasing Agent

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**BID OPENING**

**BID OPENING DATE:** January 14, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.  
**FOR:** (16) New Dell Optiplex 960 FLX Computers  
**DEPARTMENT:** Police  
**ESTIMATE:** \$23,178.24  
**FUND/ACCOUNT:** 10022301-85540  
**PUBLICATION DATE:** January 7, 2010  
**NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** 4

**SUMMARY**

**NO BIDS SUBMITTED**

cc: Steve Lamken, Police Chief  
Dale Shotkoski, City Attorney  
Jeff Pederson, City Administrator

Pete Kortum, Police Captain  
Wes Nespor, Purchasing Agent

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RESOLUTION 2010-37

WHEREAS, The Police Department planned a computer replacement and rotation within the fiscal 2010 budget and

WHEREAS, the Police Department advertised for bids for the purchase of computers and

WHEREAS, no bids were received and

WHEREAS, there exists a State bid Contract Number 12551 OC for Dell computers and

WHEREAS, the total cost of replacement off of this state bid is \$23,178.24 and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, authorization for the purchase of 16 Dell work stations for the Police Department in the amount of \$23,178.24

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, January 26, 2010.

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Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk