



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, March 07, 2006

Special/Council Session

Item G21

**#2006-88 - Approving the State Bid Contract for System Furniture
at the Public Safety Facility**

Staff Contact: Steve Lamken

Council Agenda Memo

From: Steven Lamken, Police Chief
Meeting: March 7, 2006
Subject: Systems Furnishings for New Law Enforcement Center
Item #'s: G-21
Presenter(s): Steven Lamken, Police Chief

Background

The Police Department and Sheriff's Office will require furnishings for the new law enforcement center. Most of the current furnishings in the Public Safety Center are worn out, or of low quality. The current plan is to use systems furnishings for many of the work areas of the new center.

Discussion

The Police Department requests to use the State of Nebraska contract 10628(OC)REN(13) for systems furnishings with Surroundings, LLC of Lincoln, Nebraska. The State bid product (Knoll Furniture) is of good quality and heavily discounted in pricing. The Police Department lacks the expertise to develop specification to bid systems furnishings. The Police Department and Sheriff's Office will have the ability to work directly with the State bid vendor's systems designers to identify products and design work stations. The Police Department plans to bid all other office furnishings, tables, and chairs on a competitive basis.

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 use of the State of Nebraska contract for systems furnishings.

Sample Motion

Motion to approve the use of the State of Nebraska contract 10628(OC)REN(13) for systems furnishings with Surroundings, LLC of Lincoln, Nebraska.

RESOLUTION 2006-88

WHEREAS, the Police Department is progressing with the construction of the new public safety center, and in particular the system furniture to be used in the building; and

WHEREAS, such furniture can be obtained from the State contract holder; and

WHEREAS, purchasing the furniture from the State contract holder meets all statutory bidding requirements; and

WHEREAS, purchasing the furniture in this manner also allows the department to use the services of the state bid vendor's systems designers to identify products and to design work stations which is an area that the department lacks expertise in developing specifications for a formal bid process; and

WHEREAS, the exact amount to be expended for such systems furniture is not known at this time, and will not be known until the construction is nearing completion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the Police Department is hereby authorized to pursue the purchase of system furniture for the new public safety center from the State contract holder, Surroundings, LLC of Lincoln, Nebraska.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, March 7, 2006.

Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
March 2, 2006	☐ City Attorney