# City of Charlotte



Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center 600 East 4th Street Charlotte, NC 28202

# **Legislation Text**

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# **Charlotte Fire Security Camera Purchase**

### **Action**:

- A. Approve the purchase of security camera equipment, as authorized by sole source exemption of G.S. 143-129 (e) (6),
- B. Approve a contract with A.D.M Security Systems for the purchase of security camera equipment for the term of one year, and
- C. Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two, one year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract was approved.

## **Staff Resource(s):**

Pete Key, Fire Kevin Gordon, Fire

## **Sole Source Exemption**

- G.S. 143-129 (e) (6) provides that formal bidding requirements do not apply when:
  - Performance or price competition are not available;
  - A needed product is available from only one source or supply;
  - Standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration.
- Sole sourcing is necessary for this contract to ensure standardization and compatibility with existing hardware and software. The City Council must approve purchases made under the sole source exemption.

#### **Explanation**

- Security cameras were first installed at various fire stations two years ago in response to vehicle larceny. Since then, we have installed cameras at 14 station locations and they are monitored by CMPD Real Time Crime Center and CFD alarm.
- If approved, this request will allow us to install cameras at all remaining stations, as well as CFD Logistics and Arson buildings. We estimate that a total of 64 cameras will be required to outfit all the remaining buildings. Each station generally requires 2-3 cameras for adequate coverage, although the number can vary depending on station layout.
- The one-time cost to place cameras at all remaining locations should not exceed \$185,000 (over the life of the contract). This will include the cost of the cameras as well as installation; memory cards and any related software. There is no annual cost associated with storing the data. The anticipated on-going costs are nominal and include maintenance or camera replacement in the event of damage.

#### **Charlotte Business Inclusion**

This is a sole source contract and is exempt (Part A: Appendix 27 of the Charlotte Business INClusion Policy).

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**Fiscal Note** 

Funding: Fire Operating Budget