

City of Charlotte

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

Legislation Text

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Citywide Radios and Communication Equipment

Action:

- A. Approve unit price contracts for the purchase of radios and communication equipment for the term of three years with the following companies:
 - Communication International,
 - Motorola Solutions,
 - Two Way Radio of Carolina, and
- B. Authorize the City Manager to renew the contracts for up to two, one-year terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contracts consistent with the purpose for which the contracts were approved.

Staff Resource(s):

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Explanation

- Public safety radios are critical for two-way voice communication for all public safety first responders, such as Fire, Medic, Police, and the Sheriff's Office.
- Radios also provide critical communications for city and Mecklenburg County field service employees and dispatchers. City departments currently using radios include: Transportation, Solid Waste Services, Charlotte Water, CATS, and Aviation.
- All public safety radios must be compatible with the city's system.
- On March 19, 2019, the city issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the city and on behalf of the Charlotte Cooperative Purchasing Alliance; four responses were received.
- The companies selected best meet the city's needs in terms of qualifications, experience, cost, and responsiveness to RFP requirements.
- Total annual expenditures are estimated to be \$3,500,000.

Charlotte Business INClusion

Per Charlotte Business INClusion Policy: Part C: Section 2.1(a) The city shall not establish Subcontracting Goals for Contracts where: (a) there are not subcontracting opportunities identified for the Contract; or (b) there are no SBEs or MBEs certified to perform the scopes of work that the city regards as realistic opportunities for subcontracting.

This contract meets the provisions of (a) - No subcontracting opportunities.

Fiscal Note

Funding: Various Departments' Operating Budgets