



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#15-0909

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: August 18, 2015

TITLE: Motion to Approve Mobile Camera Vehicle - Rechten International Trucks,
Inc. - \$145,622

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the purchase of an International Durastar cab and chassis to be equipped as a mobile camera vehicle from Rechten International Trucks, Inc. via Florida Sheriffs Association Contract 14-12-0904 in the amount of \$145,622 which includes \$34,758 in proprietary options necessary at the time of manufacture.

Background

The Police Department, along with the Public Information Office and the Public Works Department, has identified the need to have a vehicle capable of transmitting remote video. To ensure public safety, the City's Police Department requires access to mobile cameras at emergency scenes and special events that do not have sufficient security cameras to cover all areas of the event or scene. This vehicle will permit placement of additional cameras at the site and transmit video back to the truck making it available to the operations control station. This new technology will improve public safety and crime reduction by providing timely awareness and response to incidents and emergencies.

This purchase includes a base truck; additional technology will need to be procured to upgrade the truck for the stated security and surveillance uses at an estimated cost of \$150,000. A separate agenda item will be brought to the City Commission for these upgrades once the configurations are determined. The truck will be outfitted with cameras, license plate readers, wireless communications, computers, facial recognition, Wi-Fi transmitters, and other technology, as needed. This vehicle will be later equipped with the technology to take camera signals (video data) and transmit it to the Wildfire network, which is being used in the citywide security camera project. The City's Police Mobile Team also intends to purchase additional equipment and technology permitting the vehicle to stream back live video from special events, emergency incidents, and the City's Public Affairs Office, as requested.

Pursuant to Section 2-189, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the City may purchase proprietary items, as defined in Section 2-173, without the necessity of public bids. Options in the amount of \$34,758 are not included in the options listed in the FSA contract but must be provided at the time of manufacture from the stated manufacturer. As defined by the Code, a proprietary item is not readily available from more than one supplier, manufacturer, or person and is unique in nature.

Pursuant to Section 2-181(8) Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this purchase will be made from Rechten International Trucks, Inc. in the amount of \$145,622 via Florida Sheriffs Association Contract 14-12-0904, which was entered into following a fair competitive process that included public notice, sealed written or secure electronic bids, and public bid opening.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$145,622 for FY 15.

Funds available as of July 22, 2015					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
331-P12056.331-6599	Citywide Camera Initiative	Capital Outlay/ Equipment Purchase	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$145,622
PURCHASE TOTAL →					\$145,622

Strategic Connections:

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Public Safety Cylinders of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 9: Be the safest urban coastal City in South Florida through preventative and responsive police and fire protection.
- Objective 1: Prevent and solve crime in all neighborhoods.
- Objective 2: Continue to enhance daily crime meetings through Intelligence-Led Policing (ILP).
- Objective 7: Examine the possibility of implementing public cameras in high crime areas.

This item is a *Commission Annual Action Plan* priority, included within the Policy Agenda, advancing the Crime Reduction Strategy and Action Plan.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Ready*

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Item Specifications

Exhibit 2 – Florida Sheriffs Contract

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