



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
CONFERENCE MEETING

#16-0543

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

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

DATE: May 3, 2016

TITLE: Emergency Purchase of Fire Suppression System for Data Center -
\$32,270

Pursuant to Section 2-190(b)(1), Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, emergency purchases are permitted in the event of equipment failure, catastrophic damage to city property, or other similar unexpected event. In such event(s), all normal purchasing procedures and requirements directly related to such emergency are suspended. With the approval of the City Manager or purchasing manager, if so designated by the City Manager, the head of any department may purchase any required emergency supplies, materials, equipment or services. If the cost of any purchase exceeds the current formal bid threshold, a full report of each such purchase shall be made to the City Commission at the earliest available commission meeting.

The purpose of this memorandum is to report to the City Commission on the emergency purchase for the restoration of the City Hall data center fire suppression system in order to comply with a life safety violation. In an effort to reduce the space used by the data center and create a more energy efficient computing infrastructure, the fire suppression system was temporarily disabled to accommodate internal structural changes. In the course of utilizing the normal bid and purchasing process to have the system restored, Information Technology Services (ITS) Staff was notified by the City's Fire Marshal on April 1, 2016 that having the system offline is a life safety violation and all efforts should be made to restore and re-certify the system immediately.

ITS Staff created a purchase order on April 6, 2016 and engaged Broward Fire Equipment & Service, Inc. for restoration services in the amount of \$32,270. This purchase includes the professional services, equipment, components, and installation required to restore the fire suppression system to full operational status.

These efforts will provide adequate fire protection for the critical computing infrastructure and systems that support the City's operations. The restoration will also allow the City to comply with both local and State law for fire protection in a high rise structure.

Resource Impact

There was a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$32,270.

<i>Funds available as of April 13, 2016</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
581-P12207-581-6599	City Hall Data Center A/C and Fire Suppression	Capital Outlay/ Construction	\$137,520	\$100,000	\$32,270
TOTAL AMOUNT ►					\$32,270

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Internal Support Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 12: Provide safe, efficient, and well-maintained vehicles, equipment and facilities and integrate sustainability into daily operations.

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

Attachments

Exhibit 1- Broward Fire Quotation

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