



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#18-0692

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

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

DATE: July 10, 2018

TITLE: Motion to Approve Use of Law Enforcement Trust Funds for the Purchase
of One Fixed Position License Plate Reader and Eight Speed and Mobile
Message Board Trailers with License Plate Readers - Trinity Innovative
Solutions - \$329,279

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the use of Department of Justice Trust Funds for the purchase of one Fixed Position License Plate Reader (LPR) and eight Speed and Mobile Message Board Trailers with License Plate Readers (LPRs) from Trinity Innovative Solutions in the amount of \$329,279.

Background

LPRs have become an integral part of the Police Department's crime intelligence and suppression efforts. This technology has become a force multiplier in terms of developing leads and intelligence in the Department's efforts to reduce crime and increase the quality of life in our community. The City currently has fixed and mobile LPR assets (vehicle mounted) in place. The addition of the fixed position LPR will increase the Department's effectiveness by increasing the areas covered by LPR technology. The requested LPR trailers will provide the additional benefit of deploying to any area of the City experiencing a significant spike in criminal activity. LPR mobile message boards can be used for communicating with the community, motorists and for special events. The speed trailers will be deployed to assist with traffic calming, enforcement and compliance on roadways. Additionally, both the LPRs and speed trailers will have standard video cameras to capture surveillance footage.

Trinity Innovative Solutions currently provides solutions for the City's fixed and mobile LPR infrastructure and was actually recommended to the City by Vigilant, the LPR subscriber service. Trinity Innovative Solutions has several proprietary components to its trailer designs:

- Custom electrical and charging design that allows for extended deployments in the field up to 6-8 weeks for speed trailers and 4-5 weeks for mobile message boards.
- Remote monitoring of the equipment to detect issues or problems with the electrical and charging array before becoming major problems.

- Its trailers provide synchronization with fixed LPR systems already in service in the City that are transmitted in nearly real time.

Utilizing Trinity Innovative Solutions also provides for product conformity with existing City infrastructure and standardization of the software utilized for the LPR service. The City Commission approved a budget amendment on May 1, 2018 appropriating Department of Justice Trust Funds for this project and others.

Pursuant to Section 2-181(f)(3), Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the City may purchase proprietary items, as defined in Section 2-173, without competitive solicitation when the director of the client department has documented in writing that such good and/or service is proprietary in nature. 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.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the LETF in the amount of \$329,279 for FY 18. The available balance below reflects the amount remaining after pre-encumbrance of \$329,279 on RQ1805017 established for this purchase.

Funds available as of July 6, 2018					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
107-POL080301-6499	Justice Dept Other	CAPITAL OUTLAY/ Other Equipment	\$837,268	\$89,469	\$329,279
				TOTAL ►	\$329,279

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.

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

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Chief's Certification

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