

# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

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Agenda Item No. 31C Roll Call No. <u>09-</u> Communication No. 09-715

Submitted by: Donald M. Tripp, Director of

**Park and Recreation** 

# **AGENDA HEADING:**

Approval to purchase Liebert cooling equipment for IT Department Server Room from Data Power Technology.

### **SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval to waive competitive bidding procedures as provided in Municipal Code section 2-726 (a)(7) for good cause shown, to purchase replacement cooling units for the IT Department Server Room HVAC. The sole source of these units is Data Power Technology, 10202 Douglas Ave., Urbandale, Iowa, David Cooper/President.

# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$68,000

Funding Source: 2009-2010 Operating Budget, Index Code CP034 PKS990000 BLD074, page 13.

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

The existing units were originally installed in 1987 and have lasted well beyond their life expectancy. As the IT department expands its inventory of computer equipment, it creates an increased need for cooling in the server room. With the new units, energy efficiency and capacity will be gained that will not only maintain a consistent temperature, but will allow the IT department to expand into the future without putting an extreme load on the cooling units. The new units will allow for the operation of the compressors on an as-needs basis, as opposed to the current continual operation of the units that need replaced. This will be a sole source bid due to the networking needs that these units have. Data Power Technology Corporation, David Cooper, CEO, 10202 Douglas Ave., Urbandale, IA 50322, is the provider of these units.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE** 

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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