

# Council Communication

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Agenda Item No. 43

Roll Call No. <u>11-0049</u> Communication No. 11-001

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**Chief of Police** 

## **AGENDA HEADING:**

Approval of Procurement of Database Programming Services for the Police Department from Nestingen Inc. for good cause shown. Nestingen Inc., 15076 Wildwood Drive, Clive, Ia. 50325, Carl Nestingen President.

# **SYNOPSIS:**

The current Vice and Narcotics database is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain. It cannot be upgraded and, in 2011 when the City IT Department upgrades to Windows 7, the database will cease to function. With this knowledge, a process was initiated to replace the current database. Carl Nestingen, who is a contract employee of the City's Information Technology Department, was utilized over many hours of interviews and discussions to reach a viable solution to the section needs. It is the recommendation of the Information Technology Department and the Police Department that because of the profound knowledge of Mr. Nestingen and his close association with the existing software and the new intricate connectivity features required by the Vice/Narcotics Section, that his proposal for services be awarded and initiated at the earliest possible date. This award is in compliance with the City's Purchasing Ordinance stipulated in section 2-710.

# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$52,000

Funding Source: SP324, POL982200, State Forfeited Funds, Operating Budget, page 255

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The current Vice/Narcotics database program is an intregal part of the section's daily operations. The database is the recording system for all case work, property tracking, property destruction, citizen complaints, forfeitures and integration with the Police Department's ILeads record management software, City geographical information system, and connectivity to the Iowa Department of Transportation. The Vice/Narcotics database is not upgradable and with the City's upgrade to Windows 7 this database will no longer function. After many hours of discussion and planning, it was determined by the Police Department and the IT Department staff that the appropriate, efficient, and economically sound way to maintain eleven years of critical section files and to incorporate new features required to connect to outside agencies is to contract with Carl Nestingen who has been utilized by the IT Department to research this situation and has the knowledge and ability to construct the new database. Mr. Nestingen has been a contract employee with the IT Department for a number of years and has been closely associated with the mission of the Police Department and the Vice/Narcotics Section.

Mr. Nestingen has submitted a proposal to construct a new database for the Vice /Narcotics Section that will meet the needs and desires of the section staff. The proposal includes the construction of the database, testing, and installation for \$40,000. It also includes a three (3) year maintenance agreement for \$10,000.

The Police Department and the Purchasing Department are in agreement that this contract proposal falls under section 2-710 of the City Purchasing Ordinance.

Sec. 2-710. City council and city manager may exempt contracts from the provisions of this subdivision; city manager may exempt contracts from administrative rules, regulations and procedures.

(a) The city council may on a case by case basis, upon the recommendation of the city manager for good cause shown, exempt contracts for the provision of goods and/or services from the competitive procurement requirements of this subdivision, or waive the formal competitive bidding procedure and authorize use of informal competitive bidding procedure for the procurement of goods and/or services to cost in excess of \$25,000.

It is the recommendation of the City Manager, the Police Department and the IT Department that the City Council approve and accept Mr. Nestingen's contract agreement, which includes the scope of work, and allows the construction of the database to begin as soon as possible.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

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

# ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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