

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date: July 25, 2011
	Agenda Item No. 34A Roll Call No. <u>11-1300</u> Communication No. <u>11-498</u> Submitted by: Judy A. Bradshaw, Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

The purchase of forty-one (41) Remington shotguns for use in Patrol cars from Remington Arms Company, 870 Remington Drive, Madison, NC 27025, Ted Torbeck/President.

SYNOPSIS:

In the fall of 2009 the Police Department determined the need to replace the Patrol Bureau shotguns. This determination was based on the age, accuracy and dependability of the existing weapons. The bid specifications for the forty-one (41) shot guns were sent to six qualified vendors with only Central States Tactical responding. This resulted in the contract (V10-063) being awarded to Central States Tactical (roll call number 10-375).

The Police Department was contacted by Remington directly to announce the removal of Central States Tactical as a distributor of Remington products. Remington has not announced a replacement distributor in Iowa at this time. In order to purchase the shotguns, the Police Department would have to purchase the weapons directly from the manufacturer. The Police Department is requesting contract (V10-063) be cancelled and a new contract be awarded to Remington Corporation Offices 870 Remington Drive Madison, North Carolina 27025.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$ 31,704.48

Funding Source: SP321 POL982100 – Federal Forfeited Funds, Recommended Budget for year ending June 30, 2012 Special Reserve Funds page 249.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

In 2009 the Police Department determined the need to replace the forty-one (41) Patrol Bureau shotguns. These shotguns were equipped with a bead sight and a standard stock. Bid invitations were issued and only two compliant bidders responded: Central States Tactical and Strecher’s Incorporated. The low dollar, compliant bidder was Central States Tactical and they were awarded the bid contract (V09-128) and a purchase order was issued.

Between the issuance of the purchase order and the delivery of the shotguns, The Police Academy staff completed a field study on the traditional shotgun sights and stocks comparing them to a different sight; the ghost ring and an adjustable Knoxx stock. The study revealed modifications would increase accuracy and stability for the officer. Both modifications are important to the safety of the officers. Based on this

study the initial purchase order was cancelled.

Another invitation to bid was issued to include the new ghost ring sight and the adjustable Knoxx stocks. The invitation to bid was distributed to six qualified vendors. Each with the capability of providing the requested sights and stocks but only one vendor, Central States Tactical, responded with a bid. This resulted in the bid contract (V10-063) being awarded to Central States Tactical and a purchase order was issued.

The Police Department was notified that Remington dissolved their relationship with Central States Tactical as a distributor of their merchandise prior to the shipping of the Police Department's ordered shotguns. Through a cooperative effort with the Procurement Office and City Legal Department, the Police Department has obtained the required information from Remington to purchase the rifles directly from the manufacturer. The Police Department seeks Council approval to proceed with this purchase.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: March 8, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-375

Action: [Central](#) States Tactical (Melanie Petrie, Owner/President) for forty-one (41) tactical police shotguns to be used by the Police Department, \$32,905.26. (Six bids mailed, one received). ([Council Communication No. 10-129](#)) **Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Nays: Hensley.**

Date: August 10, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-1460

Action: [Central](#) States Tactical (Melanie Petrie, Owner/President) for tactical police shotguns to be used by the Police Department, \$29,026.68. (Four bids mailed, two received). **Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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