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	Agenda Item No.	27
	Roll Call No.	<u>13-1568</u>
	Communication No.	<u>13-502</u>
	Submitted by:	Judy A. Bradshaw, Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

The Des Moines Police Department requests approval of an exception to the procurement ordinance competitive bidding requirements for good cause as well as a contract for services provided by Carpenter Uniform and Promotional Products, 5801 Thornton Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50321, Robert Carpenter, owner.

SYNOPSIS:

The City of Des Moines Police Department has employed a contract for the purchase of uniforms and alterations through Carpenter Uniforms and Promotional Products since March of 2003. When the contract expired in January of 2013, research was conducted to evaluate possible suppliers. This research resulted in the identification of Carpenter Uniform as the only eligible local supplier who also had the capabilities of on-location measuring and alterations. The contract presented at this time has been reviewed by the police department’s legal advisor and has been accepted by Robert Carpenter.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$140,000

Funding Source: POL040400 (PD222374) Commodities Recommended General Operating Budget 2013-14 Page 203

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On January 8, 2007, the Des Moines City Council approved the contract with Carpenter Uniforms and Promotional Product for the purchase and alteration of the Police uniforms. This contract and its renewal options expired in January 2013. The Police Department researched the possibility of other companies providing these services and the results reflected Carpenter Uniforms as the only local business capable of meeting the current needs and specifications of the police department. Businesses outside the State of Iowa can provide the uniforms but are unable to provide the timely delivery and alterations necessary. Several discussions were held with the police department staff and the City Procurement Director as a result of the research findings. It was determined that a bidding process would place an unnecessary burden and expense on the City when the outcome would be the same. A new contract has been drafted and reviewed by the Legal Department. Robert Carpenter has agreed to the terms of the contract.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: June 23, 2008

Roll Call Number: [08-1115](#)

Action: [Additional](#) uniform services for the Police Department from Carpenter Uniform & Promotional Products, \$147,000. ([Council Communication No. 08-372](#)) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: January 8, 2007

Roll Call Number: [07-053](#)

Action: [Exception](#) to procurement ordinance competitive bidding requirements for good cause approving a three-year contract with Carpenter Uniform & Promotional Products uniform services for the Police Department. ([Council Communication No. 07-021](#)) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 6-0.

Date: March 24, 2003

Roll Call Number: 03-648

Action: Bids for the following:

- (B) Carpenter Uniform and Promotional Products, (Robert Carpenter, President, DSM) for an annual contract with two additional one-year renewal options to furnish police officer uniform apparel, \$138,000. (Nine bids mailed, two bids received). Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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