


# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	<b>24-251</b>	Meeting:	<b>June 17, 2024</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>42</b>	Roll Call:	<b>24-0894</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Dana Wingert, Chief of Police</b>		

## AGENDA HEADING:

Approval to purchase 20 Panasonic computers to be installed in police vehicles using the State of Iowa Participating Addendum No. 21309A from Whelen, Inc., through its authorized dealer Keltek Inc. (205 N. High Street, Baxter, Iowa 50028 - Michelle Jensen, President and CEO) and the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO) ValuePoint Master Agreement No. 165264.

## SYNOPSIS:

The Police and Public Safety Technology Departments recommend approval for the purchase of 20 Panasonic computers along with ancillary hardware, to replace existing mobile data equipment which reached the end of useful life. This equipment provides data and communication capabilities within police vehicles.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$130,859.80

Funding Source: 911 Reimbursement (PD222377), Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Recommended Budget,  
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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The Police and Public Safety Technology Departments conducted a thorough analysis of available mobile computers from different providers. The analysis included failure rate, battery life, drop test ratings, along with numerous other specifications and it was determined that the best product to meet the needs of the department was the Panasonic FZ40AC-02AM. The computers will be purchased to replace mobile data computers which have reached the end of their useful life. The current computers will be re-purposed, when possible, for training and/or as an emergency back-up.
- The Panasonic FZ40AC-02AM is available under the NASPO Contract No. MNWNC-124. This allows the City to purchase the equipment from a contract that was established by a prior bidding process.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: May 10, 2021

Roll Call Number: [21-0721](#)

Action: [Keltek](#) Inc. (Kelly Milligan, President/CEO) for 14 Panasonic Toughbook brand ruggedized tablets for use in police vehicles per NASPO Value Point Contract for use by the Police Department, \$53,671. ([Council Communication No. 21-190](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: December 7, 2015

Roll Call Number: [15-2068](#)

Action: [Keltek](#) Inc. (Kelly Milligan, Owner) for 130 replacement rugged laptop computers for use by the Police Department, \$455,680. (Eight potential bidders, two received). ([Council Communication No. 15-632](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Cownie.

Date: September 27, 2010

Roll Call Number: [10-1573](#)

Action: [Bay](#) Communications Inc. (Steve Elias, President), CDW Government (John Edwardson, President) and Embark, IT (Anita Messerschmidt, President) for 25 replacement Panasonic Tough Book Computers and associated hardware to be used by the Police Department, \$117,768.25. (Five bids mailed, four received). ([Council Communication No. 10-584](#)) Moved by Moore to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1.

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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