



CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

October 23, 2007

TO: Phillip L. Nelson, City Manager

FROM: Susan A. Leirstein, Purchasing Director
Charles T. Craft, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Standard Purchasing Resolution 2: Bid Award – Lowest Bidder Meeting Specifications – Tactical Vests

Background

- On May 30, 2007, bids were received for two (2) year requirements of Tactical Vests for the City of Troy Police Department.
- 73 Vendors were notified via the MITN system with six (6) bids received of which three (3) did not meet specifications. In addition, one statement of no bid was received.
- An evaluation of the vests was conducted by members of the Tactical Support Team and the Directed Patrol Unit. Their findings are as follows:
 - Metropolitan Uniform, vests AE Delta III and AE Trojan III – neck and throat protection came apart in testing
 - North Eastern Uniforms, US Armor Vest – lacked throat protection and overall protection was inadequate
 - Time Emergency Equipment, Survival Armor Vest – worst coverage for the upper chest and neck.
- The vest selected by the Tactical Support Team and Directed Patrol Unit is the Protech Trimax with stealth level IIIA ballistics.
- Currently, the tactical vests worn by TST are six (6) years old and the DPU has no tactical vests. The purchase of TST vests will replace the 15-year old tactical vests that are in the patrol supervisors' vehicles used for active shooter responses.

Financial Considerations

- The City of Troy Police Department applied for a grant through the Department of Justice, Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program. This grant provides for matching funds from the Department of Justice for the purchase of bulletproof vests for sworn police officers.
- Funds will be available in the Police department operating supply account for uniform patrol #315.7740.010.

October 23, 2007

To: Phillip L. Nelson, City Manager

Re: Bid Award – Lowest Bidder Meeting Specifications – Tactical Vests

Legal Considerations

- ITB-COT 07-21, to furnish two (2) year requirements of tactical vests for the Police department was competitively bid as required by Chapter 7 of the City Code and opened with six (6) bids received.

Policy Considerations

- The body armor selected has been tested by the US Department of Justice and found to be in compliance with NIJ Standard 0101.04, ballistic resistance testing of police body armor. Safety of the officers helps to ensure safety of the community. (Goal I)
- Minimize the cost and increase the efficiency and effectiveness of City government by utilizing grant funding. (Goal II)

Options

- City management and the Troy Police department recommend awarding the purchase of tactical vests to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Michigan Police Equipment Company of Charlotte, MI, for an estimated annual cost of \$47,720.00, at the unit price contained in the bid tabulation opened May 30, 2007.

Opening Date: 5/30/07
 Date Prepared: 10/23/07

CITY OF TROY
 BID TABULATION
 TACTICAL VESTS

VENDOR NAME:		** Michigan Police Equipment Company	CMP Distributors Inc.	Hes Stallings Julien Sales & Service	
EST QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	UNIT PRICE	UNIT PRICE	
20	Tactical Vests w/Stealth IIIA Ballistics Molle, Attachment System	Protech \$ 2,386.00	\$ 2,543.00	\$ 3,410.00	
ESTIMATED GRAND TOTAL --		\$ 47,720.00	\$ 50,860.00	\$ 68,200.00	
CONTACT INFORMATION Hrs of Op Phone #		M-F 8:30 to 5 313-600-7484	M-F 8:30 to 5 517-974-4276	10 to 6 313-345-6442	
TERMS		Net 30 Days	Net 30 Days	Net 30	
WARRANTY		5 yrs-Ballistics 2 yrs - Carriers	Full Mfg. Warranty	Manufacturers	
DELIVERY DATE (S)		45 - 60 Days	30 - 45 Days ARO	3 - 5 Days	
EXCEPTIONS		None	Blank	None	
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Y or N		Yes	Yes	Yes	

DMS: Due to Inadequate Protection -
 Metropolitan Uniform \$31,979.80 - Trojan Level III
 Metropolitan Uniform - Alternate Bid - \$36,779.80 - Delta III
 North Eastern Uniforms \$33,980.00 - US Armor TAV
 Time Emergency Equipment \$38,500.00 - Survival Armor

NO BID: U.S. Cavalry

PROPOSAL - Furnish Two (2) Year Requirements of Tactical Vests for the City of Troy Police Department

ATTEST:
 Debra Painter
 Diane Fisher
 Sgt. John Schaufler
 Linda Bockstanz

**** DENOTES LOWEST BIDDER MEETING SPECIFICATIONS**

 Susan Leirstein CPPB
 Purchasing Director