



**THE PORT
OF LOS ANGELES**

Executive Director's

Report to the

Board of Harbor Commissioners

DATE: NOVEMBER 8, 2022

FROM: PORT POLICE

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. _____ - AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. 39965 TO MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INCORPORATED FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FIXED AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION CAMERA SYSTEM

SUMMARY:

Staff requests approval of Contract No. 39965 with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (Motorola), to provide a Fixed Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) camera system. This system includes hardware, software, configuration, installation, multi-year extended warranty, and end-user training, in support of enhancing security in the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) and the Los Angeles Harbor District.

The ALPR system records and stores license plate information that can be compared against databases of stolen or wanted vehicles, as well as vehicles associated with Amber Alerts or outstanding warrants.

The total contract amount is \$497,744.96, including all applicable taxes and a \$40,000 contingency. The City of Los Angeles Council District 15 (CD15) has provided funding in the amount of \$500,000 for this project in order to expand the existing Los Angeles Port Police (Port Police) ALPR system. Given that CD15 funding will cover the initial system equipment purchase, licensing, installation, and 5 year warranty, the Harbor Department will only be financially responsible for ongoing maintenance expenses, after the 5 year warranty expires, which are estimated to be approximately \$15,660 per year.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Find that the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is administratively and categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Article II Section 2(f) and Article III Class 1(6) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines;
2. Award and approve Contract No. 39965 to Motorola Solutions, Inc., for the purchase of the fixed automated license plate recognition system in the amount of \$497,744.96, including applicable taxes;
3. Authorize the Executive Director to execute and the Board Secretary to attest to Contract No. 39965 for and on behalf of the Board; and
4. Adopt Resolution No. _____.

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DISCUSSION:

Background/Context – As the primary land and waterside law enforcement agency for the POLA, Port Police utilizes a fixed and mobile ALPR system from Motorola that consists of mobile intelligent capture devices in multiple patrol vehicles, a portable mobile trailer and nine fixed sites in the Harbor District. The ALPR system includes a secure database in a Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS)-compliant cloud environment that collects license plate information, as well as queries that information in real-time against a known database that is updated several times per day to include, of active stolen vehicles, wanted vehicles and outstanding criminal warrants associated with a vehicle license plate. A positive hit will alert Port Police and Dispatchers for awareness and appropriate action.

During its January 24, 2019 meeting, the Board approved Contract No. 39868 with Vigilant Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$531,476.52 for the purchase of a fixed automated ALPR system that included hardware, software, installation and provisioning at multiple locations in and around the Harbor District that complemented an existing mobile ALPR system.

The combined fixed and mobile ALPR systems have been highly effective in detecting stolen vehicles, including 128 reported from the State of California, Stolen Vehicle System (SVS) in April 2022 alone, in the Los Angeles Harbor District.

If approved, Contract No. 39965 (Transmittal 1), will provide an enhancement to the existing ALPR fixed and mobile system. The requested ALPR solution will complement the Port Police ALPR solution used for advanced situational awareness and enhanced port security and will enable broader search coverage across jurisdictional lines. Detections and alerts from the combined ALPR solutions (Transmittal 2) and respective secure databases can be shared reciprocally with our neighboring law enforcement agencies (LAPD, Long Beach Police Department, Torrance Police Department, and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department), with approved memorandum of agreements for improved awareness and investigative analysis of criminal activity.

Port Police will determine the locations of the additional fixed camera sites; conduct all required inspections prior to and during the installation of the system by the contractor; complete all acceptance tests, and attest to the full completion of the contract by the contractor. The Harbor Department will own the system and be responsible for all future recurring costs associated with system maintenance, support, and required software upgrades.

Selection Process – On November 9, 2021, Port Police submitted requisition Z-22-061 (ERP #74585) to the Contracts and Purchasing Division (CPD) for the purchase of a fixed license plate reader system, for installation to supplement the Port Police existing ALPR systems, in and around the Los Angeles Harbor District. On January 26, 2022, Formal Bid No. F-1123 was sent to Motorola Solutions as a sole source.

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The recommendation for a sole source selection of Motorola was based on using the following factors:

1. LAPP currently utilizes the Motorola ALPR system and the proposed contract will provide a solution to expand this existing system.
2. The Motorola ALPR hardware and software system is only available from Motorola due to the system's architecture that includes a cloud hosted database for the detection of wanted vehicles and persons.
3. Motorola exclusively meets the LAPP requirements including integration with our existing Motorola ALPR system and established CJIS-compliance.
4. Motorola does not support the data from any other ALPR source for querying their database and does not permit any unauthorized data from any other ALPR source in their database.
5. Motorola also does not permit anyone other than their approved contractor to design, install, provision and maintain any hardware or software associated with their systems.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The proposed action is the approval of Contract No. 39964 with Motorola to provide ALPR camera system within the Los Angeles Harbor District, which is an administrative activity and an activity involving the addition of safety, security, health, or environmental protection devices for use in conjunction with existing structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment. Therefore, the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is administratively and categorically exempt from the requirements of CEQA in accordance with Article II Section 2(f) and Article III Class 1(6) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

City of Los Angeles Council District 15 (CD15) provided funding for this project to expand the existing Port Police ALPR system and enhance data sharing with our neighboring law enforcement agencies including the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) through an existing Memorandum of Agreement.

Approval of the proposed contract authorizes the purchase of a fixed automated license plate reader camera system in the amount of \$497,744.96, including applicable taxes, shipping, installation, provisioning, extended warranty, and technical documentation.

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Funds are currently budgeted within the Capital Improvement Program in Center 1179, Program 641, and Project 2572700. Funds are expected to be spent as follows:

Fiscal Year	Budget
2022/2023	\$373,309
2023/2024	\$124,436
Total	\$497,745

Future funding will be requested as part of the annual budget process, subject to the approval of the Board of Harbor Commissioners.

After the expiration of the five-year warranty, the Harbor Department will be responsible for ongoing maintenance costs associated with the system which are expected to be approximately \$15,660 per year, and will be requested as part of Port Police’s annual operating budget.

CITY ATTORNEY:

The Office of the City Attorney has approved this agreement as to form and legality.

TRANSMITTALS:

1. Contract No. 39965
2. Diagram of ALPR Locations

FIS Approval: 
CA Approval: 



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