



**DATE: JUNE 9, 2020**

**FROM: PORT POLICE**

**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. 39910 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A MOBILE LICENSE PLATE READER CAMERA SYSTEM**

**SUMMARY:**

Staff requests approval of Contract No. 39910 with Vigilant Solutions, LLC (Vigilant), Livermore, California for the purchase of a mobile automated license plate reader (ALPR) system. This system includes hardware, software, vehicle installation and provisioning the devices on their existing cloud hosted database for the Los Angeles Port Police (Port Police).

The contract with Vigilant Solutions, LLC is outlined in Formal Bid Request Number F-1062. The total contract amount is \$1,102,767 including applicable tax, shipping, installation, provisioning, training, extended warranty, and technical documentation. This contract is the financial responsibility of the Harbor Department.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Board of Harbor Commissioners (Board):

1. Find that the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is administratively exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines;
2. Award and approve Contract No. 39910 to Vigilant Solutions, LLC for the purchase of a mobile license plate reader camera system in the amount of \$1,102,767 inclusive of all applicable taxes and fees;
3. Authorize the Executive Director to execute and the Board Secretary to attest to Contract No. 39910 for and on behalf of the Board; and
4. Adopt Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_.

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**DISCUSSION:**

Background/Context – Los Angeles Port Police is the primary law enforcement agency for the Port of Los Angeles and is responsible for the land and waterside safety and security in the Los Angeles Harbor District.

The Port Police currently utilize a mobile ALPR system from Vigilant that consists of mobile intelligent capture devices in two patrol vehicles and a mobile trailer. The Port Police are currently in the process of implementing 22 fixed cameras in 11 locations in the Port, subject to final approval from the Los Angeles Department of Transportation. The system collects license plate information, queries it in real time against a known database of active stolen vehicles, wanted vehicles, and outstanding criminal warrants associated with a vehicle license plate. Police Officers and Dispatchers are then alerted of any positive hits and can take appropriate action.

The technology has been very effective. To date and since inception on January 1, 2018, Port Police has had 952,143 ALPR license plate detections with 1,051 "hits". Currently, the system is only operational when an ALPR equipped police car and/or ALPR mobile trailer are actively deployed in the field. A hit could be a reported stolen vehicle, a license plate associated with a criminal warrant or a local want.

Expanding our current mobile ALPR system will be an essential element in enhancing the overall security of the Port. In FY19, Port Police recovered a total of 180 stolen vehicles in the Los Angeles harbor area mitigating a significant crime problem.

Port Police requests approval of Contract No. 39910 with Vigilant Solutions, LLC to provide additional mobile ALPR systems that are integrated with existing mobile systems and planned fixed systems deployed in and around the Port area. These additional devices are compatible with our current mobile ALPR systems (in-car and mobile trailer, software and storage) and planned fixed ALPR systems from Vigilant, and compliant with the existing Port Police designated Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) cloud-hosted database and California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS) approved wireless network.

Vigilant hosts a database in a CJIS-compliant cloud environment that dynamically contains known stolen vehicles, license plates associated with criminal warrants and local wants that are updated several times per day. The Port Police has a provisioned section of the Vigilant database for collecting, querying and storing license plate data. This database can also be used for the fixed cameras solution to share that ALPR data with our neighboring law enforcement agencies (Long Beach Police Department, Torrance Police Department, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, and in the near future, the Los Angeles Police Department), who all use Vigilant with appropriate memorandums of agreement and approval from the Chief of Police.

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Department), who all use Vigilant with appropriate memorandums of agreement and approval from the Chief of Police.

Selection Process – On October 30, 2019, Port Police submitted requisition Z-20-037 (ERP #59781) to the Contracts and Purchasing Division (CPD) for the purchase of additional mobile ALPR camera systems for installation to supplement our existing mobile ALPR solutions from Vigilant Solutions, LLC.

Staff requested and CPD supported a sole source procurement consideration with Vigilant Solutions, LLC. Vigilant exclusively meets Port Police requirements including integration with our existing mobile ALPR solution and established CJIS-compliant database as stated above for enhanced efficiency and planned fixed ALPR solutions for enhanced strategic Port security, public safety, and officer safety. Vigilant 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. Vigilant also does not permit anyone other than their approved contractor to design, install, provision, and maintain any hardware or software associated with this project.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:**

The proposed action is the approval of Contract No. 39910 with Vigilant Solutions, LLC for the purchase of a mobile automated license plate reader system, which is an activity involving continuing administrative, maintenance and personnel-related activities. Therefore, the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is administratively exempt from the requirements of CEQA in accordance with Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Approval of the proposed contract authorizes the purchase of a mobile license plate reader system in the amount of \$1,102,767 inclusive of applicable tax, shipping, installation, provisioning, training, extended warranty, and technical documentation.

Funds are budgeted in FY 2021 in Account 13150 (Capitalized Equipment), Center 0412, Program 000. All funds will be expended in FY 2021.

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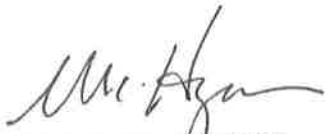
**CITY ATTORNEY:**

The Office of the City Attorney has reviewed and approved the subject contract as to form and legality.

**TRANSMITTALS:**

1. Contract No. 39910
2. Sole Source Letter from Vigilant Solutions, LLC

FIS Approval: MB  
CA Approval: So



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