



Executive Director's
Report to the

Board of Harbor Commissioners

DATE: MARCH 20, 2024

FROM: PORT POLICE

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. _____ - APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDER CHANGE NO. 1 FOR CONTRACT NO. 39965 TO MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INCORPORATED FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FIXED AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION CAMERA SYSTEM

SUMMARY:

Staff requests approval of a Purchase Order Change No.1 under Contract No. 39965 (Contract) with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (Motorola) for a Fixed Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) camera system inclusive of hardware, software, configuration, installation, multi-year extended warranty, and end-user training in support of enhancing security in the Port of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Harbor District.

Approval of the proposed action will enable solar powered cameras, rather than direct connection electric cameras, to be purchased under the Contract. The amount of the Contract will remain at \$497,744.96; however, the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department) will be financially responsible for street light maintenance costs if the proposed action is approved. The Harbor Department will continue to be financially responsible for the payment of expenses incurred under the Contract and ongoing maintenance expenses after the 5-year warranty expires.

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 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. Approve Purchase Order Change No.1 under Contract No. 39965 with Motorola Solutions, Inc., for the purchase of the solar powered 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 the Purchase Order Change No.1 for 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, queries that information in real-time against a known database, which is updated several times per day, 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.

On November 17, 2022, the Board approved Contract No. 39965 (Transmittal 1) to provide an enhancement to the existing ALPR fixed and mobile system. The requested change order for a solar power ALPR solution in lieu of electric power has become necessary due to the unavailability of electricity at the intended locations.

In the past, the Port was able to source electric power from traffic signal poles managed by the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT). LADOT is no longer allowing the Port to source power from their traffic signals and have identified several sites that are managed by Caltrans.

Motorola manufactures self-contained solar cameras with backup batteries to ensure continued operation 24/7. Port Police was provided with a test camera that performed as expected, and believes the solar camera will meet operational needs.

Use of solar powered cameras will expand the location options. Port Police and the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) developed a revised list of preferred locations using both streetlights and a single traffic signal pole. These locations will provide early warning in and around the Harbor District for identifying stolen and wanted vehicles for enforcement action.

Port Police and the Harbor Department Engineering Division (Engineering) met with the Los Angeles Bureau of Street Lighting (BSL) to secure authorization to install solar powered ALPR cameras on identified streetlights. BSL approved the locations. Permits and installation of the cameras on the streetlights must be done by BSL personnel. There will also be an annual maintenance cost for each streetlight containing a camera.

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The additional implementation costs are included in the requested cost of this project. The annual recurring maintenance cost for BSL will be budgeted in the yearly Port Police Division budget.

Engineering also received authorization from LADOT to install solar-powered cameras on a single traffic signal pole at one location in the Harbor District. There will be no permit, installation cost or recurring annual maintenance cost required for this single location.

The requested change from electric power to solar power ALPR cameras will continue to support the objective of enhancing Port security with an early warning solution for identifying stolen and wanted vehicles in and around the Harbor District.

Selection Process – On November 17, 2022, the Board approved Contract 39965 with Motorola Solutions Incorporated. On July 2023, it was learned that the LADOT would no longer allow the Port to source power from their traffic signal poles. On October 26, 2023, Port Police submitted a request for change order to the Contracts and Purchasing Division (CPD) to switch from electric power to solar powered fixed license plate reader system. On January 30, 2024, Purchase Order Change No.1 was issued and approved as to form and legality by the City Attorney's Office on February 8, 2024.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The proposed action is the approval of Purchase Order Change No.1 under Contract No. 39965 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:

Approval of the proposed Purchase Order Change No. 1 will enable solar powered cameras, rather than direct connection electric cameras, to be purchased under the Contract. While the Contract amount of \$497,744.96 will remain unchanged if the proposed action is approved, the Harbor Department will now be financially responsible for street light maintenance costs in the amount of \$3,900 per year, after year one. Funding for the additional street light maintenance costs will be requested as part of the annual budgeting process, subject to Board approval.

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CITY ATTORNEY:

The Office of the City Attorney has reviewed and approved proposed Purchase Order Change No. 1 as to form and legality.

TRANSMITTALS:

1. Contract No. 39965
2. Purchase Order Change No. 1

FIS Approval: MB
CA Approval: SO



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