



**THE PORT  
OF LOS ANGELES**  
Executive Director's  
Report to the  
Board of Harbor Commissioners

**DATE: APRIL 7, 2020**

**FROM: PORT POLICE**

**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. 39906 FOR THE PURCHASE OF MOBILE FIELD VOICE AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT**

**SUMMARY:**

Staff requests approval of Contract No. 39906 with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (Motorola), San Diego, CA to provide mobile communication devices (radios) and antennas for Port Police vehicles and vessels. The proposed purchase of the APX8500 multi-band radios and antennas will replace existing single-band Motorola XTL5000 radios, which are no longer produced or serviced by Motorola. These radios and antennas will facilitate communications consistency in our police vehicles and vessels that already have the multi-band APX8500 radios and antennas.

Port Police is required to comply with a Federal mandate that requires public safety agencies nationwide to convert, at minimum, to a dual-band radio system by 2021. Port Police began phasing out the original radio system in Fiscal Year (FY) 2014. The proposed purchase will supplement required system conversions for the remaining Port Police vehicles and vessels with the new proposed multi-band radios.

The contract with Motorola Solutions, Inc. is outlined in Formal Bid Request Number F-1065. The total contract amount is \$193,983.79 plus applicable taxes. 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. 39906 to Motorola Solutions, Inc., for the purchase of mobile communications devices and antennas in the amount of \$193,983.79 plus applicable taxes;
3. Authorize the Executive Director to execute and the Board Secretary to attest to Contract No. 39906 for and on behalf of the Board; and

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4. Adopt Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_.

**DISCUSSION:**

Background/Context – The Port Police Division is dependent upon the use of mobile and handheld radios. The radio system allows for constant communication (voice and data) between Port Police officers, vehicles, and vessels and is key to ensuring both public and officer safety. Of equal importance is the Port Police's capacity to communicate simultaneously with other public safety agencies such as the Los Angeles Police Department, the Los Angeles Fire Department, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, the Long Beach Police Department and the United States Coast Guard when working collaboratively to secure the Port and its surrounding communities.

The current Port Police radio system, purchased in FY 2008, utilizes 450MHz but will be transitioning to 700MHz within the next twelve to twenty-four months. Once completed, the radios to be replaced will not operate on the 700MHz system. Port Police made a purchase of APX8500 multi-band radios in 2017 to partially complete the mandated changeover. These requested radios will complete the changeover from the remaining XTL5000 mobile radios.

Those vehicles and vessels equipped with the requested APX mobile radios have performed beyond expectation facilitating communication on multi-bands used by other public safety agencies operating within the Harbor District.

Selection Process – On October 29, 2019, Port Police submitted requisition Z-20-034 (ERP # 59758) to the Contracts and Purchasing Division (CPD) for the purchase of 23 additional Motorola APX8500 multi-band mobile radios. Under the provisions of the City of Los Angeles General Services Contract Number ARC 40 190000000037 1, cooperative purchase arrangement, Los Angeles Administrative Code, Division 10, Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 10.15 (a) (8), the Harbor Department is allowed to utilize purchasing contracts of other governmental agencies. The radios will be purchased utilizing a Department of General Services cooperative arrangement through the Los Angeles County master agreement with Motorola, ensuring the Harbor Department receives its favorable negotiated pricing and terms.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:**

The proposed action is approval of proposed Contract No. 39906 between the Harbor Department and Motorola Solutions, Inc. to purchase mobile field voice and data communications equipment, which is an administrative activity. 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 City CEQA Guidelines.

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**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Approval of the proposed contract authorizes the purchase of mobile field voice and data communications equipment in the amount of \$193,983.79 plus applicable taxes.

Funds are budgeted in FY 2019/2020 in Account 13150 (Capitalized Equipment over \$5,000), Center 0412, and Program 000.

**CITY ATTORNEY:**

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

**TRANSMITTALS:**

1. Contract No. 39906, Bid No. F-1065
2. General Services Contract ARC 40 190000000037 1

FIS Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
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