



Interoffice Memo

DATE: November 5, 2021

TO: Kirk DeJesus, Port Director

FROM: Juan G. Villanueva, Director of Development & Planning

RE: Consideration of Possible Equipment Purchase for Police Department

REQUESTED ACTION

- A. Authorize the Port Director to purchase radios from Motorola through Delta Wireless for \$243,261.95.

OVERVIEW

The Port's Police Department operates 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. Currently, the Port has the ability to communicate directly with the Stockton Fire Department and the City of Stockton Police Department on police radios for cooperative emergency response. This proposed purchase would allow the Port to maintain radio communication with the City's emergency response agencies.

The state's Department of Justice (DOJ) implemented new radio encryption requirements this year for police radios communicating California Law Enforcement Telecommunication System (CLETS) information on the radios. The CLETS is a criminal history database used by law enforcement as a communications network. The Port's existing police radios are end-of-life and do not have the capability of meeting the new DOJ encryption requirements. Further, after the city police and fire departments upgrade their radios in 2022 to meet these requirements, the Port will lose the ability to communicate directly with the City's emergency response agencies for collective emergency response.

Motorola is the manufacturer of the encrypted radio system required by the DOJ that was purchased by the City of Stockton. Port PD will need the same radios to maintain communications with the City. Delta Wireless of Stockton, a Motorola dealer, would facilitate the purchase through Motorola utilizing state purchasing contract pricing, HGAC Buy. The Port has been a member of HGAC Buy since 2015 per Board Resolution #7911 when sweeper trucks were purchased utilizing this pricing.

BENEFIT TO THE PORT

Communication between Stockton Fire, Stockton Police, and Port Police plays a critical role in emergency response. The inability to communicate with local emergency response agencies could be catastrophic to tenants, employees, and the community.

The Board of Port Commissioners for the Stockton Port District is scheduled to consider this purchase at their November 15, 2021 meeting. If authorization is given, the order will be placed immediately and expected delivery will occur within 8 to 10 weeks.

FINANCING

The new radio encryption requirements and commitment by the City of Stockton to purchase upgraded radios this year were unknown when current fiscal year budget preparations were underway. The FY2021-22 budget contains three items totaling \$45,000 under Port Police Department that may be reallocated to partially fund this project:

- 1. Airspace Drone \$ 15,000.00
- 2. Portable Radios \$ 15,000.00
- 3. Underwater Drone \$ 15,000.00
- TOTAL \$ 45,000.00

Port staff proposes to fund this purchase as follows:

- Motorola: \$ 243,261.95
- Reallocated budget: \$ 45,000.00
- Port General Funds \$ 198,261.95

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Port staff recommends the purchase of the radio equipment from Motorola through Delta Wireless using reallocated budget funds of \$45,000 and Port general funds of \$198,261.95 to maintain vital radio communication with City of Stockton Fire and Police Departments.