



CITY OF SALINAS COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE: August 24, 2021

DEPARTMENT: FIRE

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TITLE: PURCHASE OF FIRE STATION ALERTING SYSTEM UPGRADES

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

A motion to approve a purchase agreement with Westnet Corporation for the replacement of fire station alerting system components in the amount of \$59,950.00.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this purchase under the “Houston-Galveston Area Council cooperative purchasing agreement” (H-GAC), of which the City of Salinas is a member. Council has the authority to approve such purchases per Salinas Municipal Code Section 12-25.

BACKGROUND:

This multi-year capital project was approved by Council as part of the FY-17/18 CIP budget to replace the existing emergency notification systems in city fire stations that are 30+ years old. This is the primary system used to alert fire crews of emergency responses and is considered a *mission critical* system.

Installation of the core systems at each station was delayed due to pandemic-related restrictions but were recently completed. The next phase of the project includes the procurement and installation of associated system accessories as part of the overall project.

DISCUSSION:

The fire department has solicited a quotation from Westnet to replace the aged accessories in the remaining 5 fire stations. Upon recent completion of the core systems, the vendor completed an assessment of needed accessory items to fully complete each station. These components are proprietary to the core Westnet alerting system. A quotation was provided in the amount of \$59,945, which is inclusive of sales tax, installation, and project coordination.

CEQA CONSIDERATION:

Not a Project. The City of Salinas has determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378).

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

This project exemplifies and supports the following City Council goals:

- Safe Livable Community
- Effective Sustainable Government
- Excellent Infrastructure
- Quality of Life

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

Funds for this procurement, and related outside services implementation costs, were approved by Council and are available under CIP accounts 5800.45.9987 and 5800.45.9541.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution
Westnet Quote