

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH ULTRA ELECTRONICS FORENSIC TECHNOLOGY, INC., FOR THE PURCHASE OF BRASSTRAX-3D ACQUISITION STATION AND A MATCHPOINT ANALYSIS STATION WITHOUT ADVERTISED COMPETITIVE BIDDING UTILIZING THE SOLE SOURCE EXCEPTION IN THE FRESNO CITY CHARTER

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno ("City") saw a fifty-eight percent increase in violent crime, and Fresno Police Department ("FPD") documented 366 shooting incidents in the City; and

WHEREAS, FPD currently sends ballistics evidence to the California Department of Justice Crime Laboratory for analysis, and the average processing and turnaround time is six (6) months;

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives ("ATF") maintains and oversees the National Integrated Ballistics Information Network ("NIBIN"), which automates ballistics evaluations and provides actionable investigative leads in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, NIBIN is the only interstate automated ballistic imaging network in operation in the United States, and IBISTRAX-3D and IBISTRAX-HD3D are the only products compatible with NIBIN; and

WHEREAS, an investigation by the Police Department, and review by the Purchasing Manager, has determined Ultra Electronics Forensic Technology, Inc. ("Forensic Technology") is the only company manufacturing and servicing their

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proprietary products (i.e., IBIS, IBISTRAX-HD3D (BRASSTRAX-3D Acquisition Station and BULLETRAX-3D Acquisition Station), MATCHPOINT, MATCHPOINT+, and Data Concentrator hardware and software); and

WHEREAS, the City has been awarded \$450,000 in Project Safe Neighborhoods (“PSN”) grant funding from the United States Department of Justice, through California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (“CalOES”); and

WHEREAS, the PSN grant funding is intended to support the purchase of and utilization of Integrated Ballistics Identification System (“IBIS”) technology compatible with NIBIN; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police represents that the cost to procure a BRASSTRAX Acquisition Station, a MATCHPOINT Analysis Station for Cartridge Cases, and SafeGuard Extended Warranty from Forensic Technology will be \$250,000; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 1208 requires advertised competitive bidding for equipment involving the expenditure of City monies in excess of \$133,000, unless Council determines the goods to be supplied can only be provided by one source and the purchase is authorized by resolution of the Council containing a declaration of the facts constituting the sole source; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

1. The Council has received and considered the report and recommendations by City staff.

2. Procurement of Forensic Technology BRASSTRAX Acquisition Station, a

MATCHPOINT Analysis Station for Cartridge Cases, and SafeGuard Extended Warranty from Forensic Technology is necessary to ensure the prompt and efficient investigation of violent crimes, and to comply with the terms of the PSN grant funding.

3. Procurement of a Forensic Technology BRASSTRAX Acquisition Station, a MATCHPOINT Analysis Station for Cartridge Cases, and SafeGuard Extended Warranty from Forensic Technology are only available from a single source, Forensic Technology.

4. Advertised competitive bidding for the above-referenced Forensic Technology BRASSTRAX Acquisition Station, a MATCHPOINT Analysis Station for Cartridge Cases, and SafeGuard Extended Warranty is suspended under the sole source exception.

5. The Chief of Police or his Designee is authorized to execute a contract with Forensic Technology for the purchase of BRASSTRAX Acquisition Station, a MATCHPOINT Analysis Station for Cartridge Cases, and SafeGuard Extended Warranty from Forensic Technology at a total cost of \$250,000, which is the amount of funds appropriated for this purchase, subject to prior approval by the City Attorney's Office.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, YVONNE SPENCE, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2017.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2017
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2017
Mayor Veto: _____, 2017
Council Override Vote: _____, 2017

YVONNE SPENCE, CMC
City Clerk

BY: _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DOUGLAS T. SLOAN
CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

BY: _____
Seth Mehrten
Deputy City Attorney