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REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

September 15, 2016

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SUBJECT:

Award a service contract in the amount of \$77,546.90 to Shier Aviation Corporation, dba Corporate Helicopters (San Diego, CA), to complete a manufacturer-mandated 12-year inspection of a Fresno Police Department Airbus H-120 helicopter.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Council award a service contract in the amount of \$77,546.90 to Shier Aviation, dba Corporate Helicopters (San Diego, CA), to complete a manufacturer-mandated 12-year inspection of a Fresno Police Department Airbus H-120 helicopter.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The second of two Fresno Police Department Airbus H-120 helicopters is due for a mandated 12-year inspection in October 2016. The first helicopter underwent the same inspection in November 2014, after issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP). Shier Aviation, dba, Corporate Helicopters, was determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible

bidder. The City purchasing manager has confirmed that if Shier Aviation keeps prices the same as the RFP from 2014, the department can “piggyback” on that RFP to allow Shier Aviation to do the same inspection on the second helicopter.

BACKGROUND

The Fresno Police Department’s “Skywatch” Air Support Unit currently operates two helicopters, a 2003 Airbus H-120 (certificated in 2002) and a 2005 Airbus H-120 (certificated in 2004). Airbus (formerly known as American Eurocopter) mandates a 12-year (144-month) inspection be done on all helicopters that it manufactures. The inspection was completed on the first helicopter in February 2015. The 12-year inspection on the second helicopter must be started by the end of October 2016. This inspection requires the removal of all systems (engine, transmission, and fuel tanks) and a complete tear-down of the aircraft in order to be able to detect any irregularities not seen during regular inspections. It is estimated the inspection will take three months to complete.

In 2014, a Notice Inviting Bids was posted on the City’s website. Four sealed bids were received by the Purchasing Division, and Shier Aviation, dba Corporate Helicopters, was awarded the \$77,546.90 contract as the lowest responsible bidder. Corporate Helicopters completed the project on-time and on-budget by February 2015. Shier Aviation, dba Corporate Helicopters, has now guaranteed that 2016 pricing for another 12-month inspection on the second helicopter will be identical to the contracted pricing in 2014 (quote is attached).

ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS

Not a project for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act.

LOCAL PREFERENCE

Local preference was not implemented because local preference is not required for non-professional service contracts.

FISCAL IMPACT

This project was included in the Department’s FY 17 budget.

Attachment:
2016 quote for the second inspection.