

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO WAIVE FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF SHARED PUBLIC SAFETY SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE FROM SUNGARD PUBLIC SECTOR

BACKGROUND:

On June 14, 2005, the City entered into a 28E Agreement with Iowa State University and the Story County Sheriff's Office supporting a joint computer network for public safety. This agreement included sharing of the network costs.

As part of the 28E Agreement, the City is responsible for arranging and payment of software maintenance. This cost is later shared per terms of the agreement. There may be additional costs if applications are expanded.

Sungard Public Sector is the shared public safety software vendor for the Public Safety computer-aided dispatch, records management, mobile computing, internet solutions, and jail modules. The City contracts with the vendor on an annual basis for maintenance services. Sungard Public Sector is the sole provider of maintenance for these software applications.

Included in this yearly maintenance is 24-hour programming support, software upgrades on all applications throughout the year, and eligibility to participate in the annual Sungard Public Sector Users' Group meeting where software enhancements are requested and formalized for the next year.

Current actual maintenance cost quoted for the FY 2012/13 maintenance contract is \$139,178.68. Staff is requesting authorization in the amount of the budget (\$139,739.00) to provide authorization to fund software maintenance by modifying the contract for any software additions or changes made during the year that may increase the contract amount without going back to Council for an additional waiver and contract authorization.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Waive formal bidding requirements and authorize City staff to enter into a FY 2012/2013 software maintenance contract with Sungard Public Sector at an estimated cost of \$139,739.00.

2. Waive formal bidding requirements and authorize City staff to enter into a FY 2012/2013 software maintenance contract with Sungard Public Sector at a cost of \$139,178.68.
3. Do not authorize continuing a software maintenance contract with Sungard Public Sector.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Sungard Public Sector is the sole provider of the maintenance services for the shared public safety network software. The agreement for these applications includes software maintenance that is required to continue service delivery and to keep systems up-to-date.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby waiving formal bidding requirements and authorizing City staff to enter into a FY 2012/2013 software maintenance contract with Sungard Public Sector at an estimated cost of \$139,739.00.