

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: REQUEST TO WAIVE FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF 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.

The total cost associated with the operation of the network was approved by the City Council as part of the FY 2016/2017 budget process and included \$149,975 for existing Sungard Public Sector software maintenance. 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.

Iowa State University Public Safety	\$ 39,460.35
Story County Sheriff	\$ 39,460.35
City of Ames Police	\$ 39,460.35
E911 Service Board	\$ 25,529.98
City of Ames Fire	\$ 2,781.00

Sungard Public Sector is the shared public safety software vendor for the Computer Aided Dispatch, Police Records, Jail, Phase II Wireless Call Mapping, NCIC/State Interface, and reporting applications. 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 take part in the annual Sungard Users' Group meeting where software enhancements are requested and formalized for the next year.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Waive formal bidding requirements and authorize City staff to enter into FY 2016/2017 software maintenance contracts with Sungard Public Sector at a cost of \$146,692.02.

2. Do not authorize continuing software maintenance contracts with Sungard Public Sector.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

SunGard Public Sector is the sole provider of the maintenance services for the integrated public safety applications. The agreement for these applications includes software maintenance.

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 FY 2016/2017 software maintenance contracts with Sungard Public Sector at a cost of \$146,692.02.