

Donald J. Lee, Jr.
Chief of Police




Key West **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

TO: Mr. Jim Scholl, City Manager
FROM: Donald J. Lee Jr., Chief of Police
DATE: November 28, 2017
RE: GETAC V110 Rugged Convertible Notebook Computer Purchase


Pursuant to Purchasing Code 2-844 relating to Brand Name Specifications, "Since use of a brand name specification is restrictive of product competition, it may be used only when the purchasing agent makes a written determination that only the identified brand name item will satisfy the City's needs.

In this case, the GETAC V110 through Hewett Packard Third Party Solutions has again been chosen by the City of Key West Information Technology Department and the Key West Police Department to best meet the needs of the Police Departments in vehicle (car and motorcycle) rugged laptop/notebook computer requirements. The V110 is a rugged convertible notebook that is lighter, thinner, more versatile model that will enhance the motor unit's ability to meet crash investigation demands in the field. The GETAC selection was made after the GETAC B300 and a Panasonic Toughbook, the computer then in use by the department, underwent extensive comparative field testing by our officers and the cities IT department. A total of 71 GETACs have been purchased and put in service since FY13-14 with 18 more budgeted this fiscal year (17-18). The GETAC continues to meet the extreme demands of police service and comes with a standard 3-year warranty.

Additionally, "The purchasing agent shall seek to identify sources from which the designated brand name item can be obtained and shall solicit sources to achieve whatever degree of price competition is practicable". This purchase is made pursuant to the provisions of section 2-797(4)(b), whereas "exceptional circumstances exist to exempt a purchase from the competitive bid requirements of this subdivision for the best interests of the city." Three qualified quotes for these computers were obtained by the cities IT department which revealed the prices to be fair and reasonable. It is not believed a formal invitation to bid would result in a lower price for these computers.


Approved
Dave Sermak, Purchasing Agent

11/29/17
Date


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Mark Finigan, Finance Director

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