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TO: Patti McLauchlin, City Manager

FROM: Sean T. Brandenburg, Chief of Police

DATE: December 15, 2022

RE: Authorize the purchase of 25 GETAC B360 Rugged Laptops and 25 GETAC B360 In-Car Docking Stations from PCN Strategies in the amount of \$100,855.75 for ongoing Police Department patrol/traffic unit in-car computer upgrades.

Action Statement:

This resolution authorizes the purchase of 25 GETAC B360 Rugged Laptops and 25 GETAC B360 In-Car Docking Stations from PCN Strategies at the total cost of \$100,855.75, as the low quote vendor. This purchase is made pursuant to Ordinance 2-797(4)(b) and section 2-844(a).

<u>Qty</u>	<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Extended Price</u>
25	BM41Z4BAB8GX	GETAC B360 (Rugged Laptops)	\$3,236.23	\$80,905.75
25	543390100503	GETAC B360 (In-Car Docking Stations)	\$798.00	\$19,950.00
TOTAL:				\$100,855.75

The Key West Police Department is purchasing the above listed equipment pursuant to Ordinance Section 2-797(4) (b) and 2-844(a) as part of our ongoing technology update and enhancement program. This equipment will be deployed to patrol officers to replace aging units and better meet the demands of in field crash investigation and field reporting. This will be the eighth fiscal cycle these computers and their required docking stations and printers have been purchased for the Police Department. The GETAC was chosen over the Panasonic Toughbook after extensive comparative field



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testing, feedback from the patrol officer user group, and recommendation by the City's IT department. These computers continue to meet or exceed the Police Department and the City IT department requirements for police in-car computers.

They are being purchased pursuant to Ordinance 2-797(4) (b). The quote from PCN Strategies reveals their price is competitive with two other reliable vendors that submitted attached quotes (GovGroup and Barcode Giant). The quote from Barcodes Inc. reveals their price is competitive with two other reliable vendors that submitted attached quotes (Connection-Public Sector Solutions and The Rugged Store).

The purchase of these this equipment, at the quoted prices, is fair and reasonable and in the best interest of the City of Key West and the Key West Police Department. It is not believed that a formal invitation to bid would result in a lower price per unit than the price being offered by PCN Strategies Barcodes Inc.

Background:

The City of Key West has a Technology Replacement Plan in place to ensure all technology at the various city locations is kept up to date. One of the goals of the plan is replacing hardware infrastructure that has met or exceeded technical obsolescence. Currently the Key West Police Department is still utilizing GETAC B300 models that have reached the end of their useful and reliable service life. The B360 notebook has state-of-the-art processors (Intel Core i7), 4G LTE wireless, up to 15 hours of battery life, sunlight readable LCD + Touch Screen w/hard tip stylus and is built to withstand the most extreme conditions encountered in a law enforcement environment. The GETAC B360 has a 3-year all-inclusive warranty. The past GETAC B300 models are no longer available and have been replaced by the new B360 model. The GETAC B360 model requires a different docking station, requiring the purchase of the new docking stations in addition to the laptops.

The Key West Police Department purchased 17 GETACs in FY13/14 to begin the upgrade and replacement process, 18 GETACs in FY 14/15, 18 GETACs in 15/16, 18 in FY 16/17, 22 in FY 18/19, 25 GETACs in FY 21/22 to continue the update process. This purchase will continue the ongoing update process.

Purpose and Justification:



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Law Enforcement use of computer technology has expanded substantially over the past two decades. With the increasing power and diminishing costs of police specific computer applications, computer usage continues to increase in law enforcement agencies nationwide. These computers facilitate access to a vast array of police information technology.

Electronic Incident/Crime Reporting, vehicle records, warrants, driving records, calls for service history, and interagency information sharing are just a few of these advantages.

Options:

One option is to purchase this equipment and allow the Key West Police Department to keep pace with current and emerging computer applications in law enforcement. Another option is to forego the purchase of this equipment and continue to use the aging GETAC B300 units that have exceeded their useful service life.

Financial Impact:

Funds for this purchase are included in the FY 22/23 Police budget in account #101-2101-521-6400, Infrastructure Surtax Machinery & Equipment.

Recommendation:

The Key West Police Department recommends the purchase of the above listed laptops and docking stations from PCN Strategies. The Key West Police Department believes it is in the best interest of the City to do so.



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