



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Finance Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Troy Elliott

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

Incident Response K-9 Trucks for the Bomb Squad Unit

**SUMMARY:**

This ordinance authorizes a contract with Silsbee Ford Inc. to provide two Incident Response K-9 Trucks for the San Antonio Police Department, Bomb Squad Unit for a total cost of \$161,409.80. Funding in the amount of \$80,704.90 is available from the FY 2023 Equipment Renewal and Replacement Fund Budget, and \$80,704.90 is available from the FY 2021 Urban Areas Security Initiative Program Grant from the Department of Homeland Security.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Submitted for City Council consideration and action is the bid submitted by Silsbee Ford Inc. to provide two replacement Incident Response K-9 Trucks for the Bomb Squad Unit. The trucks are built on a 2023 Ford F250 Crew cab 4x4 truck with a Havis dog kennel insert and will be used exclusively to transport uniformed personnel and K9 police dogs to perform law enforcement duties throughout the City.

These Incident Response K-9 Trucks for the Bomb Squad Unit will be used by the SAPD Bomb Squad Unit to direct public safety initiatives. The vehicle specifications used for these vehicles are

a combination of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms requirements, K-9 life safety improvements, and lighting and storage required to conduct proper traffic fatality investigations. These vehicles carry personnel and equipment able to protect public safety, lives, and save property.

The City issued an Invitation for Bid (IFB) for two Incident Response K-9 Trucks for the Bomb Squad Unit on September 2, 2022, with submission deadline of September 19, 2022. The IFB was advertised in the San Antonio HartBeat, TVSA channel, the City's Bidding and Contracting Opportunities website, the San Antonio e-Procurement System, and an email notification was released to a list of registered vendors that could provide these vehicles. One bid response was received. Silsbee Ford Inc. met the published bid specifications.

### **ISSUE:**

This contract will provide the purchase of two replacement Incident Response K-9 Trucks for the SAPD Bomb Squad Unit. The trucks are built on a 2023 Ford F250 Crew cab 4x4 truck with a Havis dog kennel insert that includes a heat alarm, 10" fan, dog bowl, dual window drop, and window guards for canine officer's comfort and safety. The truck bed will be enclosed with a slide out bed that is designed by the manufacturer for various bomb and SWAT supply storage and equipment.

The trucks are covered by a minimum 36 month/36,000-mile warranty that will start on the day each unit is placed in service. The engines are covered by a 5 year/100,000-mile powertrain warranty. The life expectancy of the light duty trucks is 96 months.

The Small Business Economic Development Advocacy (SBEDA) Ordinance requirements were waived due to the lack of small, minority and/or women owned businesses available to provide these items.

This award is an exception to the Local Preference Program.

The Veteran-Owned Business Preference Program does not apply to goods/supplies contracts, so no preference was applied to this contract.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Should this contract not be approved, the San Antonio Police Department would continue to use existing K-9 trucks that are scheduled for replacement due to meeting the age and mileage requirement. The replacement date of 120-160 days timeframe is considered the optimum time for replacement. Delaying the acquisition could result in the vehicles incurring higher maintenance costs as a result of age or high mileage. The fleet addition is also planned for a new position that will be added to the division. This could impact the City's ability to provide essential services to the residents of San Antonio.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the approval of an ordinance for acceptance of a contract with Silsbee Ford Inc. to provide the San Antonio Police Department with two replacement Incident Response K-9 Trucks for the Bomb Squad Unit for a total cost of \$161,409.80.

This contract is procured on the basis of low bid and a Contracts Disclosure Form is not required.