

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Finance Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Troy Elliott

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Replacement of Power Generation Equipment at the San Antonio Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Building

SUMMARY:

An ordinance authorizing a contract with Waukesha-Pearce Industries, LLC to replace power generation equipment at the San Antonio Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) building in the amount of \$215,998.00. Funding is available from the FY 2022 Deferred Maintenance Program and included in the FY 2022 – FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Submitted for City Council consideration and action is an offer submitted by Waukesha-Pearce Industries, LLC to replace power generation equipment at the San Antonio Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) building. The City of San Antonio's PSAP Call Center is located on Brooks City Base on the South East side of San Antonio. This building houses the 911 call response and support personnel along with the associated systems utilized to sustain the public safety Emergency 911 support operations. The PSAP supports the emergency dispatch services for SAPD and SAFD. The center receives and dispatches information for assistance via radio operations and

through the City's Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system. Additionally, PSAP houses the 911 phone network core and dispatches calls to the surrounding Comal, Guadalupe, and Medina counties.

PSAP relies on four emergency backup generators, two of which are designed to provide emergency power redundancy to the facility. For compatibility reasons, it is critical that the replacement generator system be equal in configuration and capacity (600 KW) to that of the original Generac brand equipment currently on site at the PSAP.

Due to factory delays from availability of steel and electronic components, the current lead time for the replacement generator is 23-32 weeks from receipt of order. To expedite the replacement of the aging generator, ensure equivalent replacement and minimize amount of lead time to secure replacement, a BuyBoard cooperative contract with Waukesha-Pearce Industries, LLC is being utilized. Waukesha-Pearce Industries, LLC previously provided a replacement Generac brand generator in 2019.

ISSUE:

This contract will provide for the replacement of power generation equipment at the PSAP Call Center. As this building serves as the answering point for emergency dispatch services and the required replacement equipment have a long lead time, it is imperative to begin the ordering process for this critical piece of equipment. This purchase will utilize the BuyBoard Cooperative Contract 597-19.

This purchase is made in accordance with the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) passed on ordinance 97097, dated 1/30/2003. Contracts awarded through this Purchasing Cooperative are competitive and meet all bidding requirements.

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

The recommended award is an exception to the Local Preference Program.

The Veteran-Owned Small 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 PSAP building will continue to lack the required redundancy to continue safe operation, in the event of a commercial power outage without the replacement of the failed power generator. This lack of redundancy can cause further damage to the building's power regulating system(s) or PSAP's 911 specific equipment. Furthermore, the

lack of redundancy creates the potential to place the public's health and safety at risk.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This ordinance authorizes a contract with Waukesha-Pearce Industries, LLC in the amount of \$215,998.00 to replace power generation equipment for the San Antonio Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) building. Funding is available from the FY 2022 Deferred Maintenance Program and included in the FY 2022 – FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of a contract with Waukesha-Pearce Industries, LLC to replace the power generation equipment at the San Antonio Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) building in the amount of \$215,998.00.

This contract is procured by means of cooperative purchasing and a Contract Disclosure Form is not required.