

# City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Finance Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Troy Elliott

## COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

**SUBJECT:** 

Armored Tactical Skid Steer

#### **SUMMARY:**

This ordinance authorizes a contract with Ring Power Corporation to provide the City San Antonio Police Department with an Armored Tactical Skid Steer with Armored Deployment Platform for a total cost of \$396,000.00. Funding is available from the 2021 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Law Enforcement Regional Response Project per the Homeland Security Grant Program awarded by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Federal Management Agency. This project is funded under the 2021 UASI grant that currently expires on August 31, 2022. The grantor can grant an extension until April 2024 but only after Council award.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Submitted for City Council consideration and action is the attached tabulation of one bid to provide one 2022, or newer model, Armored Tactical Skid Steer with Armored Deployment Platform for the Police Department and Emergency Operations for a total cost of \$396,000.00. This equipment will be utilized exclusively by uniformed personnel for direct public safety initiatives and critical emergency responses. This tactical response vehicle will assist the Special Operations Unit and SWAT Team with all-hazard responses like negotiations, scene approach, rescue, evacuations, recovery, maneuvering, breaching, and clearing. The grant will expire August 31, 2022 but can be extended until April 2024. The estimated construction and delivery time for this vehicle is 266 calendar days.

#### **ISSUE:**

This contract will provide one Armored Tactical Skid Steer with Armored Deployment Platform. This specialized vehicle is outfitted with an armored deployment platform, hydraulic breaching ram, integrated video system, grapple claw, and vehicle extraction tool for the San Antonio Police Department, in coordination with the Emergency Operations Center. Requested vehicle is new for the department and no other City owned equipment can provide the tactical advantages provided with this equipment during all-hazard critical incidents.

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.

This contract is an exception to the Local Preference Program as it does not apply to federal grants.

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

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Should this contract not be approved, SAPD and the Special Operations and Emergency Operations Center would be without specialty equipment which provides dramatic enhancement to officer safety and efficiency as the ballistic protection, mobility and function allow for safe approach, movement and clearing of structures during critical incidents.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

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#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the approval of the purchase of one Armored Tactical Skid Steer with Armored Deployment Platform from Ring Power Corporation for the SAPD/EOC Department for a total cost of \$396,000.00.

This contract was procured on the basis of a Public Health and Safety Exemption and a contracts disclosure form is not required.