

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Agenda Number:
Prepared on: 4/28/03
Department Name: Sheriff's
Department No.:
Agenda Date: 5/13/03
Placement: Administrative
Estimate Time:
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Sheriff Jim Anderson
Santa Barbara Co Sheriff

STAFF Commander Michael Burridge
CONTACT: 805-681-4175

SUBJECT: Request for Waiver of Competition in Purchase of Wireless Control Unit for Remotec Robot for Bomb Disposal

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Authorize the County Purchasing **Agent** to procure *one Radio Vehicle/Console Assembly with Five Watt Video* from Remotec, Inc in the amount of \$25,597.96, without being required to conduct a Formal Bid Process.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal II: A safe and healthy community in which to live, work and visit

Executive Summary and Discussion:

Pursuant to County Code Section 2-39, we are requesting your Board to waive the competitive bidding requirement in the purchase of *one Radio Vehicle/Console Assembly with Five Watt Video total order value of \$25,597.96*

Based on our market research and knowledge of these particular products, we have determined that the *Radio Vehicle/Console Assembly with Five Watt Video* is a proprietary design and the only known unit that will mount on our existing Remotec Mk-6A Bomb Disposal robot, and interface with the on-board Vehicle Control Unit. Switching manufacturers at this point in time would be cost prohibitive due to that fact that this would require us a purchase a new Bomb Disposal Robot from another vendor.

Mandates and Service Levels:

It is essential to have a safe and modern Remote Control Bomb Disposal Robot to perform the complex duties of the Sheriff's Department.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Approval of this action will allow the Purchasing [Agent](#) to procure the *Radio Vehicle/Console Assembly with Five Watt Video* with a total order value of \$25,597.96 which has been fully budgeted and approved for this fiscal year. Funding for this upgrade was donated by the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Council.

Special Instructions:

Send a certified copy of the minute Order, attn: John McMillin, Purchasing [Agent](#)
Send a certified copy of the minute Order, attn: Sheriff Jim Anderson Sheriff's Department

Concurrence:

Purchasing [Agent](#)