

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240

Department Name: Fire
Department No.: 031
For Agenda Of: 9/7/10

Placement: Administrative

Estimated Tme:

Continued Item: N_0

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Select_From Michael W. Dyer, Fire Chief

Contact Info: Rick Joyner, Battalion Chief, 681-5525

SUBJECT: Request for Waiver of Competition to upgrade Helicopter

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: Purchasing

As to form: Yes

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Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the County Purchasing Manager to procure approximately \$158,563.00 to upgrade Helicopter 308 without being required to conduct a formal bid process.

Summary Text:

Pursuant to County Code 2-39, we are requesting your Board to waive the requirement for a competitive bid for the tail section upgrade of Helicopter 308. These expenditures were budgeted for this fiscal year and will upgrade the tail rotor of Helicopter 308 making it more efficient and safe. Two separate vendors are needed to upgrade the tail rotor. Vector Aerospace holds the Supplemental Type Certificate required for the conversion of the tail section and. San Joaquin Helicopters will complete the necessary work on the fuselage of Helicopter 308. Two separate purchase orders are needed to complete this upgrade. The total costs of both conversions are broken down as follows:

 Vector Aerospace
 \$103,128.00

 Sa Joaquin Helicopters
 \$ 55,435.00

 Total
 \$158,563.00

Background:

Vector Aerospace holds the "Supplemental Type Certificate" required for this conversion. In other words, they own the "patent" to perform the necessary work to our helicopter. Vector has already completed work on the fuselage of Helicopter 308, which will allow it to accept this upgraded tail section, and the same company must perform both procedures. This same condition holds true for San Joaquin Helicopters and the work they will perform on the fuselage. Consequently, this is the reason for the request to sole source this work.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

This upgrade was budgeted and approved for fiscal year 2010-2011.

Special Instructions:

Please send a certified copy of the minute order to the attention of Rose Pueschel, Fire Department.

Attachments:

Authored by:

Rick Joyner, Battalion Chief, Santa Barbara County Fire Department

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