

RESOLUTION NO. RS-2021-14

(Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchase [INTG-21-0057] 9-1-1[NG9-1-1] ESInet Next Generation Software Upgrade for the Division of Emergency Services [DES])

RECITALS

The Code of the Public Local Laws of Washington County, Maryland (the "Public Local Laws"), §1-106.3, provides that the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the "Board"), "may procure goods and services through a contract entered into by another governmental entity in accordance with the terms of the contract, regardless of whether the county was a party to the original contract."

Subsection (c) of §1-106.3 provides that "A determination to allow or participate in an intergovernmental cooperative purchasing arrangement under subsection (b) of this section shall be by resolution and shall either indicate that the participation will provide cost benefits to the county or result in administrative efficiencies and savings or provide other justifications for the arrangement."

The Division of Emergency Services seeks to enter into a contract for the purchase and installation of the 9-1-1 (NG9-1-1) ESInet Next Generation software upgrade at a cost of \$1,395,818.52 from Motorola Solutions, Inc. of Chicago, IL (Motorola), and to utilize another jurisdiction's contract (RFP No. 17-210) that was awarded by Purchasing Solutions Alliance (a national purchasing cooperative of Brazos Valley Council of Government). The Board of County Commissioners previously approved the submission of an application to Emergency Number Systems Board (ENSB) for contracted 9-1-1 ESInet services, which ENSB approved. NG9-1-1 is a new technology that allows the public to share more detailed data such as videos, images, and texts with 9-1-1 call centers; enhances the ability of 9-1-1 call centers to communicate with each other; and improves system resiliency.

The Purchasing Solutions Alliance (PSA), a national purchasing cooperative of the Brazos Valley Council of Government, took the lead in soliciting the said contract (RFP No. 17-210) awarded by PSA to Motorola. The County will benefit with the direct cost savings in the purchase and installation of the ESInet Next Generation software upgrade because of economies of scale that the PSA contract has leveraged. Additionally, the County will realize savings through administrative efficiencies as a result of not preparing, soliciting, and evaluating a bid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board, pursuant to §1-106.3 of the Public Local Laws, to authorize by Resolution the approval for the Division of Emergency Services to enter into a contract for the purchase and installation of the 9-1-1 (NG9-1-1) ESInet Next Generation software upgrade at a cost of \$,1395,818.52 from Motorola Solutions, Inc. of Chicago, IL, and to utilize another jurisdiction's contract (RFP No. 17-210) that was awarded by Purchasing Solutions Alliance (a national purchasing cooperative of Brazos Valley Council of Government).

Adopted and effective this 11th day of May, 2021.


ATTEST:


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