

Legislation Text

File #: BILL NO. 23-005, **Version:** 1

An Ordinance approving sole source agreement# 2023-038 to KA-Comm, Inc for supplier and installer services of emergency vehicle equipment for a one-year term with up to two, one-year renewals and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City. (F&BC 1/4/23)

Issue/Request:

An Ordinance approving sole source agreement #2023-038 to KA-Comm, Inc for supplier and installer services of emergency vehicle equipment for a one-year term with up to two, one-year renewals and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City.

Key Issues:

Ka-Comm is considered an “up-fitter” for emergency vehicles. They will be a supplier and installation location for equipment being installed into new police vehicles. When a police vehicle has reached the end of its usable life, Ka-Comm will remove all usable police related equipment from the vehicle prior to its decommission and potential sale. When a new vehicle is purchased, Ka-Comm will supply needed equipment for the vehicle and install all needed police related equipment into the vehicle prior to it being placed into service. This equipment may include, but is not limited to, emergency lighting, sirens, protective barriers, mobile video systems, radar systems, computer equipment, consoles and controls.

Background:

The Lee’s Summit Police Department replaces vehicles each year after they have reached their designated time as determined by the Fleet Manager. This replacement requires removal of equipment from the outgoing vehicle and installation of the same equipment, or new equipment, into the replacement vehicle. This process is highly technical and detailed work due to the large amount of electronic equipment involved. Over the past few years, the department has searched for a single vendor to be able to conduct this entire operation. Ka-Comm was located in 2021 by the department and it was determined that they are the only local vendor that can meet all these needs. Ka-Comm is the only vendor in the metro to be a certified Watchguard repair and installation location. Watchguard is the in-car video and body camera system used by the department. Ka-Comm is also the only local certified Stalker radar vendor. Both these systems are used in the majority of the department fleet and due to this, a sole source approval is needed.

Proposed City Council Motion:

FIRST MOTION: I move for a second reading of an Ordinance approving sole source agreement #2023-038 to KA-Comm, Inc for supplier and installer services of emergency vehicle equipment for a one-year term with up to two, one-year renewals and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City.

SECOND MOTION: I move for adoption of an Ordinance approving sole source agreement #2023-038 to KA-Comm, Inc for supplier and installer services of emergency vehicle equipment for a one-year term with up to two, one-year renewals and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City.

Mark Liebig, Major

Staff recommends approval of an ordinance approving sole source agreement #2023-038 to KA-Comm, Inc for supplier and installer services of emergency vehicle equipment for a one-year term with up to two, one-year renewals and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City.