



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager to execute an agreement with Verizon Business Network Services, Inc., utilizing State of California Contracts 3-03-70-1583B, 3-05-70-1583C and D, 3-04-58-0012Q, 3-04-70-0016AB, 3-03-70-0116X, 3-00-58-0158A, and 3-04-70-2096B, to purchase telecommunications equipment, software, and services in an amount not to exceed \$350,000 per year. (Citywide)

The Technology Services Department purchases telecommunications system equipment and services to maintain the physical infrastructure for local and long distance telephone services and data communication services. Items such as routers, repeaters, telephone switches, cable and telephone sets are needed to ensure reliable voice and data communications. Purchasing the equipment from a vendor who also provides installation and maintenance services allows the City to more quickly respond to requests.

Section 1802 of the City Charter permits the City to participate in joint and cooperative purchasing agreements by adoption of a resolution of the City Council authorizing purchases under contracts entered into by other governmental agencies, such as the State of California. These California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) state contracts set price caps on the equipment and services purchased there under, ensuring that City of Long Beach prices are based on competitive rates. The proposed Resolution allows purchases under the CMAS contracts for as long as they are in effect. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City's participation in CMAS may be terminated at any time with 30 days' prior written notice. Maintenance for a three-year term is also included in the agreement.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Gary Anderson on August 4, 2008, and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on August 11, 2008.

In order to begin to take advantage of pricing offered under the new CMAS agreement, City Council action is requested on September 2, 2008.

Total expenditures for this agreement will not exceed \$350,000 per year. Sufficient funding has been budgeted in the General Services Fund (IS 385) and in the Technology Services Department (TS) to support this activity.

Approve recommendation.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES THROUGH THE CONTRACTS BETWEEN VERIZON BUSINESS NETWORK SERVICES, INC. AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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