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Legislation Text

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Need: There is an ongoing problem of motorists disobeying traffic control signals that has contributed to a significant number of motor vehicle crashes in the City of Columbus that have resulted in death, serious personal injury and/or substantial property damage. The City of Columbus seeks to increase compliance with traffic control devices thereby decreasing the number of motor vehicle crashes that are caused by failure to comply. The use of Photo Traffic Enforcement Systems will assist the City in increasing compliance with traffic control devices without the disadvantages of conventional traffic enforcement, such as disruptions in the flow of traffic at heavily traveled intersections and expenses associated with increased police manpower.

Bid Information: Requests for Proposals for an "Automated Red Light Enforcement System" were solicited by the Purchasing Office for the Department of Public Safety on June 17, 2004, SA001147. The vendors who submitted (R.F.P.'s) are as follows:

REDFLEX
ACS

Mulvihill
PEEK

Nestor
TRANSOL

The evaluation team, consisting of members of the City Engineers, Division of Police and the Department of Health, recommended that Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. be awarded the contract.

Contract Compliance No.: 943292233

FISCAL IMPACT:

There will be no immediate fiscal impact on General Fund expenditures. The contractor's compensation shall consist of a percentage per citation paid. The percentage compensation will be based on a variable fee model. The city at its option may change from a variable compensation plan to a fixed fee schedule or a combination of fixed and variable model.

To authorize and direct the Director of Public Safety to enter into a contract with Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc. for an Automated Red Light Enforcement System for the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety.

WHEREAS, the ongoing problem of motorists disobeying traffic control signals has contributed to a significant number of motor vehicle crashes in the City of Columbus, which have resulted in death, serious personal injury and/or substantial property damage; and

WHEREAS, the use of Photo Traffic Enforcement Systems will assist the Division of Police with traffic control devices without the disadvantages of conventional traffic enforcement, such as disruptions in the flow of traffic at heavily traveled intersections, and expenses associated with increased police manpower; and

WHEREAS, proposals were solicited by the Purchasing Office on June 17, 2004, SA001147; and

WHEREAS, an evaluation team recommended to award the contract to Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc.; Now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

Section 1. That the Director of Public Safety be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contract with Redflex Traffic

Systems, Inc. for a Photo Traffic Enforcement Systems for the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety, based on the selection and recommendation of the evaluation committee.

Section 2. That said contract shall require that cameras be installed and operated in a stationary or fixed position only, thereby restricting the viewing area to the target intersection, and without the ability for movement or expand the area of viewing.

Section 3. That said contract shall restrict installation to twenty (20) cameras and that the contract shall not be amended to increase the number of cameras without prior City Council approval.

Section 4. That no camera shall be installed or changed to a different location without prior City Council approval.

Section 5. That said contract shall require Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc., and the administration to review with City Council crash data no later than six months after all cameras are operable.

Section 6. That said contract shall indicate that the cameras' intentional use shall be red light enforcement only.

Section 7. That the City Auditor is hereby directed to establish a special revenue fund for the deposit of revenue generated by the Photo Traffic Enforcement program for the use for public safety initiatives such as the bike patrol, Community Crime Patrol, and horse patrol operations.

Section 8. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.