

## CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE COMMUNICATION

**MEETING DATE:** 02/01/2021

**REQUESTER:** Fred Bates, Jr.

**PRESENTER:** Daniel Scesney, Chief of Police

**TITLE:** Price Agreement for 150 12-gauge less lethal shotguns from Kiesler

Police Supply, in the amount of \$60,162.00.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve

## **ANALYSIS:**

The Grand Prairie Police Department serves a City that is situated within an exponentially growing Dallas - Fort Worth region. The combination of urban, suburban, commercial, and industrial growth in this region necessitates a vibrant, progressive, and well-trained police department that understands and respects the need to continually enhance its effectiveness in providing a safe environment for its citizens, visitors, and officers in a mutual partnership.

The Grand Prairie Police Department functions under the guiding principle of the "sanctity of life" and based on current research in the area of use of force incidents, it is vital that police officers be equipped with technology that affords them the ability to respond to dangerous encounters with viable options. One such viable response option is when the line-level patrol officer is equipped with the less-lethal shotgun. A less-lethal shotgun affords officers the ability to respond safely to dangerous situations while also protecting the lives of individuals who may pose a danger to themselves or others. Staff therefore recommends that less-lethal patrol shotguns be purchased to equip each line-level patrol officer.

Notice of bid #21004 was advertised in the Fort Worth Star Telegram and Public Purchase; it was distributed to twenty-seven vendors. There was one Grand Prairie vendor available for this commodity. Four bids were received as shown on attachment A.

The award was based on best value criteria set up in the specification, including material markup, reputation, quality of service, price, past relationship with the city and other municipalities, if they were local, and other relevant criteria as listed in the specification.

Kiesler Police Supply meets specifications and is recommended for award.

## FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

Funds are available in the Police Department State Asset Forfeiture Fund.