



## CITY OF MILPITAS AGENDA REPORT (AR)

<b>Item Title:</b>	<b>Adopt a Resolution Approving the Award of a Sole Source Contract to Locution Systems Inc. for Fire Station No. 2 Replacement, Project No. 3447</b>
<b>Category:</b>	Consent Calendar-Community Services and Sustainable Infrastructure
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	2/18/2019
<b>Staff Contact:</b>	Steve Erickson, City Engineer, 408-586-3301
<b>Recommendation:</b>	Adopt a resolution approving the award of a sole source contract to Locution Systems Inc. for the Fire Station No. 2 Replacement, Project No. 3447, and authorizing the interim City Manager to execute a contract for the procurement and installation of the Locution fire alerting system in the amount of \$97,377.

### **Background:**

The 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program includes Project No. 3447 for the replacement of Fire Station No. 2 located at 1263 Yosemite Drive. The Fire Station project is in the design phase, and construction of new Fire Station No. 2 is anticipated to start summer 2020.

On December 4, 2018, the City Council approved a resolution approving the cooperative purchase of Motorola Solutions, Inc. dispatch console equipment and the sole source purchase of a matching Locution systems Inc. fire alerting system. The Locution system installed at the four City Fire Stations provides a network-based alerting system matched to the Silicon Valley Regional Communications System (SVRCS), which is a countywide radio interoperability and public safety radio and data communications network the City of Milpitas agreed to jointly fund to improve public safety and emergency services.

The installation of the Locution alerting system equipment in all fire stations has been completed.

### **Analysis:**

As part of the Fire Station No. 2 replacement project, the Locution equipment installed at the existing station No. 2 will be relocated and re-installed in new fire station with additional features to alert staff of a system call including wall mounted LED night vision illuminator, ceiling mounted strobe lighting, and an EZ zone alerting solution to alert specific rooms and bedrooms within the Fire Station as opposed to alerting the entire Fire Station. Staff recommends the continued use of the Locution fire alerting equipment system, and the relocation of the equipment into the new Station No. 2 so that all four fire stations operate the same with the matching dispatch console equipment.

The relocation and continued use of the Locution fire alerting system equipment to the replacement Station No. 2 is in the City's best interest for the following reasons:

- Implementation cost savings
- Provides matching systems at all four fire stations and ensures system communication
- Maintains continuity of the warranty
- Simplifies scheduling, system operation, and deployment
- Minimizes dispatch center disruption and implementation time by using a single one vendor
- Locution Systems Inc. is the sole source manufacturer, supplier, and installer for the City's Locution fire alerting system

In accordance with the requirements of Public Contract Code section 3400(c)(2), (3), City staff has determined that the Locution fire alerting system is the only device meeting City requirements for the reasons set forth above, and Locution Systems Inc. is the sole source distributor and installer for the equipment (**Attachment 2**).

City Council is requested to adopt a resolution approving Locution Systems Inc. as the City's Sole Source provider and installer for the fire alerting system for Fire Station No. 2.

Staff negotiated a fee with Locution Systems Inc. in the amount of \$ 97,377.00 to procure and install the fire alerting system at the new replacement Fire Station No. 2. The fee is considered reasonable for the project scope.

**Policy Alternative:**

Alternative: Deny sole source purchase of the Locution fire alerting system.

Pros: None.

Cons: It is recommended that the network-based fire alerting systems at all four fire stations is the same and provided by the same vendor to avoid communication discrepancies and for consistency in operation all all stations.

Reason not recommended: It is important that the new replacement Fire Station No.2 continue to use the same Locution fire alerting system as the other stations to maintain the continuity of the maintenance, warranty, and vendor responsibility for the operation. This will enhance and support emergency responses for fire units.

**Fiscal Impact:**

There is sufficient funding available in the budget for Project No. 3447 Fire Station No. 2 Replacement project to award the construction contract to Locution System Inc. As of December 31, 2019, the available Project funding is as follows:

<b>Available Project Budget</b>	<b>\$ 3,905,837.00</b>
<b>Summary of Estimated Tenant Improvement Cost</b>	
Construction Contract	\$ 97,377
Administration and Inspection	\$ 20,000
Total Estimated Cost	\$ 117,377

**California Environmental Quality Act:**

Not applicable

**Recommendation:**

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**Attachments:**

1. Resolution
2. Locution System Inc. Sole Source Letter
3. Construction Contract with Locution