



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: COUNTY MANAGER

File #: 18-572

Board Meeting Date: 7/10/2018

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Deborah Bazan, Director of Project Development Unit
Subject: Watson Consoles Agreement

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Director of the Project Development Unit or his/her designee, to execute an agreement with Watson Consoles for the purchase and installation of Public Safety Communications work stations for the Regional Operations Center in an amount not to exceed \$455,728.

BACKGROUND:

On October 20, 2015, your Board approved a Design/Build Agreement with McCarthy Building Company for the construction of the Regional Operations Center. Demolition of the existing buildings on the former motor pool site began in early 2016 and concluded in the late summer of 2017. Deep Soil Mixing (DSM) as part of the seismic stability of the Regional Operations Center (ROC) was completed in January 2018 and a topping out ceremony was held May 9, 2018.

DISCUSSION:

In addition to many administrative areas including offices, conference rooms, and work areas, staff dining rooms, and briefing rooms, the ROC requires furniture designed specifically for Public Safety Communications functions and 24/7 use, maximizing user comfort for long shifts and incorporating advanced dispatching technology.

Watson Consoles is the manufacture of the dispatch work station furniture and will provide installation services per the California Multiple Award Schedules (CMAS) contract #4-17-71-0079C which has been assessed to be fair, reasonable, and competitive.

The new work stations match (make/model/color) the four existing work stations recently purchased in October 2017 for the Call-Taking Room. The four existing work stations will be relocated to the ROC and integrated seamlessly with the new furniture. This will provided a cost benefit through the unnecessary purchase of four additional work stations, allowing the County's investment in the workstations to be reused.

Additionally, Watson Consoles furniture is favored by the majority of the dispatch staff versus other furniture systems available on the market. The Public Safety Communications team was extremely satisfied with the Watson Consoles furniture and installation services provided when the Call-Taking Room was constructed.

It is recommended that the Board approve the acquisition of office furniture for the ROC from Watson Consoles for furniture and installation services per the California Multiple Award Schedules (CMAS) contract #4-17-71-0079C.

This purchase agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Procurement Division.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the resolution as to form.

Executing this agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of Collaborative Community by reducing the amount it would cost for new construction.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for this purchase is provided in the Regional Operations Center \$58,000,000 project budget funded by Measure K.