



SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Lauro, Purchasing Director

THROUGH: Ruby McKenzie, Procurement Analyst Coordinator

FROM: Jacqueline L. Weinreich, Radio and Technology Director

SUBJECT: Contract 134-0251-NC Design/Build Multi Site Radio Tower Replacement

DATE: November 18, 2014

Background and Justification - The Pinellas County 800MHz Intergovernmental Public Safety Radio/Data Communications System currently functions with ten radio tower locations. Three of the towers have exceeded their life span and are in need of replacement. The towers are located as follows:

- Dunn Facility in Tarpon Springs
- Emergency Response/Highway facility in Clearwater
- Toytown Facility in St. Petersburg

This project requires construction of new tower structures adjacent to existing sites. The tower replacements are turn-key to include soil and ground work, foundations, frequency licensing, steel construction and relocation of equipment and/or installation of new equipment. This also includes coordination with Utilities/SCADA and the various cellular providers who rent space. Once each tower is 100% functional, the old towers will be safely disassembled and removed.

Motorola was the only bidder. They have complied with all of our requirements and we have completed contract negotiations. CIP funds in the amount of \$2.5 million have been allocated for this project, with the final negotiated cost being \$2,064,996. The CIP fund and cost center is 3001.412100.5460001.3019.001816A.

Recommendation – The Department of Radio and Technology is requesting consideration to proceed with contract approval. Replacement of these towers is essential to public safety communications.

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