

Resolution No.

# STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL

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## **RESOLUTION APPROVING FINDINGS FOR THE PURCHASE OF MOTOROLA RADIO EQUIPMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,879,889, APPROPRIATE \$363,440 FROM RADIO INTERNAL SERVICE FUND 503 FUND BALANCE; AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTIONS TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSE AND INTENT OF THE RESOLUTION**

The City owns and operates a private 13-channel radio communication system utilized by the Fire, Municipal Utilities Department (MUD), Police, and Public Works Departments. The primary function of this system is for public safety purposes to ensure that Police Officers and Firefighters have radio communication capabilities among individuals, vehicles and dispatch/command centers; and

As the City's fiscal crisis began to take shape, the purchase of new radios was deferred in order to reduce the contributions to the Radio ISF and lessen the burden on the City's general fund. The general fund is the primary source of Public Safety ISF funding for labor and equipment; and

The City took a major step forward to stabilize the radio communication system by approving the purchase of 460 radios on July 21, 2015. These radios have stabilized the radio program for the Police Department; and

The average life of a Public Safety radio is seven (7) years for a portable radio and ten (10) years for mobile. Typically when these radios are in service beyond the seven and ten year useful life, the reliability of the radios diminishes quickly; and

At this time more than 80% of the Fire Department's radio equipment inventory is seven years or older. Thus nearly all of the equipment is at or near the end of useful life. In the current condition the equipment can fail during a shift. This has created an unnecessary burden on Fire Department staff as they are required to return to the station for repair or replacement of the radio; and

The proposed request for MUD, Police, and Public Works Department is consistent with the proposal presented and approved on July 21, 2015, by Council; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON, AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The City Council approves findings which support and justify an exception to the competitive bid process and authorizes the use of the cooperative purchasing agreement with the Houston-Galveston Area Council for the purchase of Motorola radio equipment in an amount not to \$1,879,889.

2. The City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$363,440 from Radio Internal Service Fund 503 fund balance.

3. The City Manager is authorized to take appropriate actions to carry out the purpose and intent of the resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED August 9, 2016.

ANTHONY SILVA, Mayor  
of the City of Stockton

ATTEST:

BONNIE PAIGE, City Clerk  
of the City of Stockton