



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: February 4, 2014

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Administrative Services, Police Department

SUBJECT: Software Maintenance For Regional Law Enforcement Data Sharing System

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council find it in the City's best interest to waive the bidding process as provided in Municipal Code 4.52.070 (k) and authorize the General Service Manager to issue a purchase order to IBM for the amount of \$178,000 for Coplink software maintenance and services for Fiscal Year 2014.

DISCUSSION:

In 2008, the County of Santa Barbara Law Enforcement Chiefs (CLEC) acquired a data sharing application called Coplink, which is a data sharing warehouse that synchronizes with multiple law enforcement records management systems throughout the County of Santa Barbara. The Coplink application allows law enforcement personnel to search county wide records management systems for investigative purposes.

Each year an annual budget is presented to CLEC by the Information Technology Manager from the Police Department who is also the project manager for the Joint Powers of Authority (JPA). The maintenance agreements that were included during the acquisition of Coplink have expired, and all ongoing maintenance expenses will be included in the JPA budget. Last month, CLEC approved the budget to cover all the maintenance expenses and the amount each agency owes. The total expenses will be shared between the seven law enforcement agencies that contribute their data to the Coplink system. The apportioned cost to each agency is based on the authorized number of sworn officers within each agency. The Santa Barbara Police Department's share of the cost is approximately 20% of the total maintenance expenses which is estimated to be \$35,000 for Fiscal Year 2014.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The entire cost of the Coplink system will be paid out of the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (CLETS) Fund administered by the City. The costs will be reimbursed by the participating agencies, including the City of Santa Barbara. The CLETS Fund has already budgeted these costs and estimated revenues. The City's share of \$35,000 will come from existing Fiscal Year 2014 appropriations in the Police Department budget arising from anticipated cost savings from vacant positions.

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APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office