ADDENDUM NO 03
CITY OF FAIRHOPE
To
BID NO. 020-11
CITYWIDE RADIO SYSTEM
FOR THE IT DEPARTMENTS

The bid documents for this Bid shall be amended, revised and changed in the following particulars:

Answers from IT Department

Questions from potential bidders:

Question 1:
Has the City already identified the two desired tower sites?

Answer 1:
A. The City has not identified these two sites, and seeks the direction of the bidding companies to determine the best possible location to cover the 88 sq mile Police Jurisdiction.

Question 2:
Will the City modify the time line to allow for procurement of the proper licensing for the proposed system(s)?

Answer 2:
The City understands that several government agencies will be involved in the approval and procurement process, and are willing to flex our project schedule to allow for these processes to run their course.

Question 3:
Can other agency resources count towards coverage?

Answer 3:
If another law enforcement agency has tower space or resources that can be used to increase the coverage needed by the City of Fairhope and the bidder can facilitate that use, then we will be willing to use it in lieu of or in addition to the requested tower sites.

Question 4:
How many voice paths are needed (how many simultaneous conversations are needed on the system at one time)?

Answer 4:
The City will defer to the vendor to advise on the best course of action to meet our needs which are defined in the RFQ document. We do know that The PD will need at least the following four channels: Primary Dispatch, Special Events (mardi gras, parades, etc), SWAT(tactical) private, and Command (supervisors). In addition, the PD needs at least two “talk-around” channels that do not have to be heard by dispatch or recorded. In addition to the PD, we will need at least one channel, and at least one “talk-around” channel for the other areas outlined in the RFQ.

Question 5:
Replace the “real-time” GPS necessity with “on-demand”. Meaning that the GPS units do not have to be constantly polled, but we should be able to view a complete location history as well as poll a particular unit to see where it is “right-now”.
Q. How many channels are needed on the consoles?
Answer 5:  
This will depend on how many channels the other departments need and if dispatch will continue to monitor all city utility frequencies.

Question 6:  
Do the consoles need playback option?

Answer 6:  
Yes (radio and phone) last 10 minutes is the normal length.

Question 7:  
How do we define “roaming”? Is it 1) The ability to talk to other agencies or 2) The ability to reach Fairhope Dispatch from other jurisdictions?

Answer 7:  
Primary will be reach Fairhope Dispatch. However, we would like to reach other agencies, which we understand depends on the systems they use.

Responders are to sign and include signed Addendum No.3 with submitted bid documents.

Acknowledged:  

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