

CITY OF OAKLAND
AGENDA REPORT

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TO: Office of the City Administrator
ATTN: Dan Lindheim
FROM: Gerald A. Simon, Fire Chief
DATE: January 26, 2010

RE: **Resolution 1) Dispensing With Advertising and Authorizing a Limited Competitive Bid Process, and 2) Awarding a Contract to Doron Precision Systems, Inc. for the Purchase and Installation of a Driving Simulator and Training, Equipment, and Supplies Associated With Implementation of the Driver's Training Program in an Amount Not to Exceed Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000) Which Meets the Requirements of the 2008 Assistance to Firefighters Grant For Enhancements to the City of Oakland Fire Department Driver's Training Program**

SUMMARY

A resolution has been prepared requesting that the City Council 1) dispense with advertising and authorize a limited competitive bid process, and 2) award a contract to Doron Precision Systems, Inc. for the purchase and installation of a driving simulator and training, equipment, and supplies associated with the implementation of the Driver's Training Program in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 as required by the 2008 Assistance to Firefighters grant, which was awarded to the City of Oakland Fire Department (OFD) to enhance its driver's training program.

The proposed equipment is an interactive driving system that consists of a fully functional driving compartment and provides a comprehensive library of interactive scenarios for various training situations. Dispensing with the advertisement is in the best interest of the City because staff has conducted extensive research and testing and it is highly unlikely that the City's standard advertising and bid process, which would involve significant expenditures, staff time and delay, will render better products or pricing.

FISCAL IMPACT

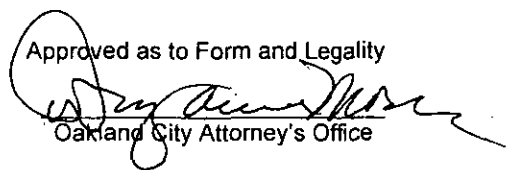
There is no impact to the General Fund. Grant funds were applied for as authorized by Resolution 80831 C.M.S., which was approved by Council on September 18, 2007. The grant award amount is \$584,148, with matching costs of \$146,037. The grant funds will be deposited to Fund 2124 Federal Emergency Agency (FEMA), Organization 20611 Education and Training, Project G375610, Assistance to Firefighters Grant, Program PS27, Fire Department Safety, Education and Training. The matching costs will be funded by the California Joint Apprenticeship Committee (JAC) and Friends of the Oakland Fire Department. Other minimal

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Resolution No. _____ C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember _____

RESOLUTION 1) DISPENSING WITH ADVERTISING AND AUTHORIZING A LIMITED COMPETITIVE BID PROCESS, AND 2) AWARDING A CONTRACT TO DORON PRECISION SYSTEMS, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A DRIVING SIMULATOR AND TRAINING, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES ASSOCIATED WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DRIVER'S TRAINING PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$750,000), WHICH MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE 2008 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FOR ENHANCEMENTS TO THE CITY OF OAKLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT DRIVER'S TRAINING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Resolution 80831 C.M.S authorized the City Administrator to apply for grant funds to upgrade and enhance the Oakland Fire Department Training Division and programs; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Fire Department staff submitted a competitive grant application and was awarded a grant for the purchase of a driving simulator to improve its driver's training program under the Department of Homeland Security 2008 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program in the amount of \$730,185.00; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program will award 80% of the cost of the driving simulator (\$584,148), which will be appropriated to Fund 2124 Federal Emergency Agency, Organization 20611 Education and Training, Project G375610 Assistance to Firefighters Grant, Program PS27 Fire Department Safety, Education and Training and the 20% matching requirement in the amount of \$146,037 will be funded by the Friends of Oakland Fire Department and the California Joint Apprenticeship Committee, with additional costs funded from the approved 2009-2011 Fire Department Training budget; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Municipal Code Section 2.04.050.I.5, authorizes the City Council to dispense with the City's standard advertising and bidding process upon a finding that it is in the best interests of the City; and

WHEREAS, there are few vendors who manufacture driving simulators and OFD had the opportunity to review and test vendor products from across the country at a recent conference likely to attract all vendors who could potentially meet OFD specifications for this type of

product; and

WHEREAS, OFD solicited bids from three vendors it determined could potentially meet OFD's specifications and selected Doron Precision Systems, Inc., the only responsive, responsible bidder ; and

WHEREAS, in light of OFD's extensive research and testing, it is highly unlikely that the City's standard advertising and bid process, which would involve significant expenditures, staff time and delay, will render better products or pricing; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code Title 2, Chapter 2.04, Article 2.04.050.I.5 and based on the reasons stated above and in the City Administrator's report accompanying this item, the City Council finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the City to dispense with advertising and authorize the limited competitive bid process used to select the vendor to supply a driving simulator and training program and equipment to the Oakland Fire Department; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council awards a contract to Doron Precision Systems, Inc. for the purchase and installation of a driving simulator and training program and equipment and supplies associated with the driver's training program in an amount not to exceed seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000), which meets the 2008 Assistance to Firefighters Grant for enhancements to the City of Oakland Fire Department Driver's Training Program; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator, as agent of the City, or his designee, to complete all required negotiations, certifications, assurances, and documentation required to purchase and implement a driving simulator, including equipment training and supplies for the Oakland Fire Department Training Division; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That said agreements shall be approved as to form and legality by the Office of the City Attorney and placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, AND PRESIDENT BRUNNER

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of
the City of Oakland, California