



## CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

### City of Anaheim POLICE DEPARTMENT

**DATE:** SEPTEMBER 13, 2016  
**FROM:** POLICE DEPARTMENT  
**SUBJECT:** APPROVE AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE,  
IMPLEMENTATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF AN OVERT  
SURVEILLANCE CAMERA SYSTEM WITH LEVERAGE  
INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INC.

**ATTACHMENT (Y/N):** YES **ITEM # 21**

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council, by Motion,

1. Approve and authorize the Chief of Police to execute a five-year Agreement with Leverage Information Systems, Inc. (Leverage), in substantially the form attached hereto, for the purchase, implementation, and maintenance of an overt surveillance camera system not to exceed \$468,000, and authorize de minimis changes that do not substantially change the terms and conditions of the agreement, as determined by the City Attorney's Office;
2. Authorize the Chief of Police to execute any amendments under the terms and conditions of the Agreement; and
3. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue purchase orders for lighting and electrical upgrades necessary to support the Overt Surveillance Camera Project to the lowest responsive bidder for an amount not to exceed \$250,000, subject to available budget appropriations.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The Anaheim Police Department (APD) patrols the City park system, which includes 57 parks and covers an area of approximately 700 acres. Parks have historically required a significant police response based on calls for service and officers conducting self-initiated activity. In response to requests from members of the public, the APD began working with local community partners in 2014 to research innovative programs in other jurisdictions that helped law enforcement agencies to better monitor and reduce the crime occurring in local parks.

The APD contacted a number of local jurisdictions and found numerous agencies had employed camera systems to monitor specific areas remotely, and in real-time. The

information gathered indicated there were reduced crime rates in areas where Overt (visible) Surveillance Cameras Systems (OSCS) were deployed.

These modern camera systems are scalable, possess the capability for one-way audio communication, and have enabled agencies to be more efficient in the detection, prevention, and investigation of crimes.

The proposed Overt Surveillance Camera Project will assist in creating a safer environment, by reducing crime through the rapid identification of individuals involved in criminal behavior. Cameras will deter crime by providing around-the-clock monitoring capabilities and the ability to capture video evidence for use in the prosecution of criminal suspects.

In August 2016, the APD conducted a series of community meetings near each park site. Residents responded positively to the project, citing the potential for OSCS to reduce incident in the parks. Public comments made pertaining to the volume of the speakers and the goal to minimize neighborhood impact, will be taken into consideration as the project is implemented.

If approved, the APD envisions a three phase process for implementation and growth of the program. In Phase 1, the camera systems will be installed in Maxwell Park, Twila Reid Park, and Brookhurst Park. A command console will also be established where specially trained staff can monitor video feeds. Individuals monitoring the camera system will have the ability to control cameras remotely to follow events as they occur, initiate one-way audio communication with people in controlled areas, and save incidents of interest for permanent storage. The three parks were selected based on a review of calls for service, Part 1 crime statistics including recent homicides and community related complaints.

In Phase 2, Leverage will assess the existing camera network within the City and evaluate the possibility of integrating cameras at other facilities into a coordinated video network. This system could include the integration of existing traffic cameras, as well as cameras located at City Hall, Police facilities, Honda Center, Angel Stadium of Anaheim, City Libraries, and a host of other critical facilities.

In Phase 3, outreach will be made to local business, schools districts, and other entities that have surveillance systems that are not directly monitored by the City to determine if they would like their video feeds accessible to law enforcement personnel. Participation in this collaborative effort will be voluntary and would require each entity to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the City before initiation of the program.

#### Selection Process

A Request for Proposals (RFP) was released in November of 2015. The submitted proposals were reviewed by a panel consisting of subject matter experts from various departments and business areas. Proposals were evaluated according to the vendor's ability to meet the functional and technical requirements listed in the RFP, their related

law enforcement experience, and submitted references. Leverage was selected as the City's best qualified proposer as a result of their extensive law enforcement experience, the scalability of their system, and an exemplary set of references from nearby cities.

Infrastructure Upgrades

To support the OSCS project, each park site identified in Phase 1 requires continuous power at each camera location. Currently, all security lights within Maxwell Park, Twila Reid Park, and Brookhurst Park are controlled by timers that shut down the flow of power during daylight hours.

Several options for establishing uninterrupted power were considered, and Anaheim Public Utilities (APU) joined this collaborative effort to research potential solutions. APU developed a viable plan to replace aging lighting fixtures with updated, energy-efficient models equipped with photo cells. The photo cells will enable uninterrupted power to be supplied to the cameras while ensuring that the security lights are only on from dusk until dawn.

To expedite the purchase of the necessary lighting equipment, it is recommended that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to issue purchase orders to the lowest responsive bidder immediately after evaluation of the bids, rather than having to return to City Council for approval of the individual award. The updated lighting equipment is expected to result in utility savings in excess of \$30,000 per year.

**IMPACT ON BUDGET:**

The Police Department's FY 2016/17 budget will be increased by \$468,000 from restricted Department of Treasury Equitable Sharing (asset forfeiture) funds. Funding for subsequent years and all additional phases will be subject to Council's approval of budget appropriations. Infrastructure upgrades will be funded by the Community Services Department through the existing Parks Maintenance budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Concurred by,

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Chief of Police

Larry Pasco  
Deputy Community Services Director

**Attachment:**

1. Agreement