City of Mesa



Legislation Text

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Purchase of a M-Vac System and Related Validation Supplies for DNA Processing for the Police Department (Sole Source) (Citywide)

The Biology Unit analyzed over 1,300 samples for DNA profiles in 2019. Robust collection methods are required to obtain DNA profiles for comparisons and for Combined DNA Index System entries. The M-Vac System is a wet-vacuum based surface sampling system that can collect DNA from porous and rough objects or surfaces expanding the potential for evidence collection and processing.

The Police Department and Purchasing recommend authorizing the purchase from the sole source vendor, M-Vac Systems, Inc., at \$45,002.11, based on estimated requirements. This purchase is grant funded by the U.S. Department of Justice - DNA Backlog Reduction Funds.