

City Council Report

Date: November 18, 2024

To: City Council

Through: Michael Kennington, Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer

From: Edward Quedens, Business Services Director

Kristy Garcia, Procurement Administrator

Subject: One-Year Term Contract for DNA Crime Lab Supplies for the Police

Department (Sole Source) (Citywide)

Recommendation

Council is requested to approve the award as recommended.

The Mesa Police Department and Procurement Services recommend awarding the contract to the sole source vendor, Thermo Fisher Scientific at \$250,000, based on estimated requirements.

Background / Discussion

The Biology Unit of the Forensic Services Division completes DNA analysis of samples from criminal investigations conducted by the Police Department as well as Gilbert, Queen Creek, and the Tempe Police Department. The Department is requesting the purchase of supplies needed for this processing. The supplies include reagents and consumables to determine the quantity of DNA present, to make copies of DNA, and to detect DNA on genetic instruments. The Police Department has purchased these products in the past from Thermo Fisher Scientific (formerly known as Life Technologies).

Purchase Information

Action: Award

Procurement Type: Sole Source Contract Number: 2025080

Local Consideration: Policy did not apply to this procurement method

Protests Received: None

Initial Contract Term: One (1) year

Possible Renewals: None

Funding Source: Police Department operating budget through General Funds, Restricted

Program Funds, and Grants-General Government Funds