



City Council Report

Date: December 1, 2021
To: City Council
Through: Michael Kennington, Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer
From: Edward Quedens, Business Services Director
Kristy Garcia, Procurement Administrator
Subject: Purchase of Three Thermal Cyclers (Two Replacements and One Addition) for the Mesa Police Department **(Sole Source) (Grant Funded) (Citywide)**

Purpose and Recommendation

Council is requested to approve the award as recommended.

The Police Department and Purchasing recommend awarding the contract to the sole source vendor, Life Technologies Corporation at \$25,628.10.

Background / Discussion

The Forensic Services Division completes DNA analysis of samples from criminal investigations. In 2020, the Biology Unit analyzed 1,485 items using thermal cyclers in the amplification step of this analysis.

The laboratory currently has two Veriti thermal cyclers and needs to purchase three cyclers. One will replace an obsolete thermal cycler that no longer functions, and one will replace an existing cycler that the manufacturer has advised they will stop supporting in 2025. The third thermal cycler, an addition will assist with expanding the current capacity.

Thermal Fisher Scientific (Life Technologies Corporation) is the sole manufacturer and distributor of this equipment.

Purchase Information

Action: Award
Procurement Type: Sole Source
Contract Number: 2022087
Quote Number: D4485623
Local Consideration: Policy did not apply to this procurement method
Protests Received: None
Funding Source: Grant funded by Department of Justice FY 19 Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program (Grant 2019-DN-BX-0062)

AWARD RECOMMENDATION

Life Technologies Corporation – Grand Island, NY

Quantity 3 – VeritiPro TC for HID Instrument per Contract No. 2022087
and Quote No. D4485623 (9/29/2021)

Base (\$7,900/each)	\$23,700.00
Estimated Shipping and Handling	\$435.00
Estimated 6.3% Sales Tax	<u>\$1,493.10</u>
Total	<u>\$25,628.10</u>