



# City Council Report

**Date:** May 18, 2020  
**To:** City Council  
**Through:** Michael Kennington, Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer  
**From:** Edward Quedens, Business Services Director  
Matt Bauer, Procurement Administrator  
**Subject:** One-Year Renewal with a One-Year Renewal Option to the Term Contract for Handheld Narcotics Analyzer System Supplies for the Mesa Police Department (**Sole Source**) (**Citywide**)

## Recommendation

Council is requested to approve the contract renewal as recommended.

The Mesa Police Department and Purchasing recommend authorizing the renewal using the State of Arizona cooperative contract with Fisher Scientific, at \$145,000 annually, based on estimated usage.

## Background / Discussion

On May 8, 2017, Council approved the three-year term contract that included the purchase of five handheld TruNarc Identification Systems. This analyzer system is used for the rapid identification of suspected narcotics; a single test for multiple controlled substances provides clear, definitive results for presumptive identification.

In 2012, Maricopa County Attorney's Office asked the Controlled Substance Office (CPO) program in the Phoenix Police Department to find a solution for the field identification of opiates. CPO began a formal six-month pilot program to validate the TruNarc analyzer and upon program conclusion, all objectives were successfully met. Based on the pilot program results, 11 other agencies in Maricopa County now use TruNarc for field testing.

Results from the TruNarc analyzer must be admissible in court and must be admissible *and* accepted by the Maricopa County Attorney's Office (MCAO). MCAO Prosecution Policies and Procedures currently state that MCAO will file cases based on an approved certified field test and that an approved certified test includes the use of a handheld TruNarc Raman spectrometer.

The State of Arizona contract has been competitively bid, allows for cooperative use and meets the City's procurement requirements. This is a sole source purchase and Fisher Scientific is the only manufacturer/distributor who can provide these supplies. This contract continues to be advantageous to the City and it is in the City's best interest to renew the contract.

## **Purchase Information**

Action: Renewal (1<sup>st</sup> of 2 possible)

Procurement Type: Cooperative Contract Use

Contract Number: 2017170

Contracting Agency/Contract Number: State of Arizona/CTR042779

Original Council Award Date: 5/8/2017

Initial Contract Term: Three years

Possible Renewals: One-year renewal subject to State of Arizona, Administrative review and approval

Funding Source: Police Department operating budget