



City Council Report

Date: June 6, 2022
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 Lab Supplies for the Mesa Police Department **(Sole Source) (Citywide)**

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 \$100,000 annually, based on estimated usage.

Background / Discussion

The Biology Unit of the Forensic Services Division completes DNA analysis of samples from criminal investigations conducted by the Mesa and Gilbert Police Departments. These supplies enable the division to process evidence and conduct forensic DNA testing for criminal investigations. Supplies include reagents and consumables (plastics) to determine the quantity of DNA present, to make copies of the DNA and to detect the DNA on genetic instruments.

Mesa's DNA Crime Lab has been doing business with Life Technologies since the Crime Lab's inception, approximately 1996. Life Technologies is the sole manufacturer and authorized distributor in North America of the supplies that have been validated for use in the City's lab instruments. Life Technologies is part of ThermoFisher Scientific.

Life Technologies Corporation provided a quote for various reagents and supplies used in the DNA analysis process. The quote includes a list of available products and related pricing that is valid from 9/1/2022 to 8/31/2023.

Purchase Information

Action: Award
Procurement Type: Sole Source
Contract Number: 2022227
Quote Number: E4668909 (3/21/2022)
Local Consideration: Policy did not apply to this procurement method

Protests Received: None

Contract Term: One Year

Possible Renewals: None

Funding Source: May include (but are not limited to) Police Department General Fund,
Restricted Program Funds, and Grant General Funds