



City Council Report

Date: October 3, 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 Virtual Police Officer Recruit Testing Services 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, National Testing Network at \$45,000 annually, based on estimated usage.

Background / Discussion

The Police Department's Hiring Unit is requesting approval to migrate to the National Testing Network Virtual Law Enforcement Selection System. National Testing Network (NTN) specializes in public safety personnel selection. The NTN platform provides an effective way to reach candidates interested in applying for Police Officer Recruit who reside outside of the immediate Phoenix Metro area. NTN offers virtual proctored tests that can be administered to both out of state and in state individuals who are interested in testing with the Mesa Police Department. By using the NTN system, potential candidates will not need to travel to take the entrance exam.

Department personnel contacted other vendors of Police Officer Recruit Testing material. After reviewing other on-line proctored testing capabilities, testing materials, and price, personnel determined that the NTN test and testing process provides an all-inclusive process that meets the Department's needs. The NTN system is the only online testing platform which offers a proctored entrance exam. It is the only machine scored, objective, validated, video-based, situational judgement selection test for law enforcement.

Additionally, NTN has the most comprehensive video testing programs in the nation. Each test component is easy to administer, quick to score and reaches far beyond a simple aptitude test.

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Purchase Information

Action: Award

Procurement Type: Sole Source

Contract Number: 2023065

Local Consideration: Policy did not apply to this procurement method

Protests Received: None

Contract Term: One Year

Possible Renewals: None

Funding Source: Police Department General Fund budget