

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS  
AGENDA ITEM **GRANT FUNDS**  
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: El Paso Police

AGENDA DATE: December 15, 2009

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: Terrence Freiburg, Purchasing Manager 915-541-4313  
Gregory Allen, Chief of Police at 915-564-7000

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: A11

SUBJECT:

Request City Council approval to purchase an upgrade to increase storage capacity of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) from MorphoTrak, a sole source vendor, in the amount of \$53,950.00.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The El Paso Police Department is committed to solving crimes and to accomplish this mission requires the sharing of information of positive up-front identification of both individuals and latent prints. The increase of storage capacity to the AFIS will not only accommodate those fingerprints records we have already received from D.P.S. on past county arrests but will allow us to continue to receive electronically the complete NIST record of all arrests made in the county of El Paso.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

Funds were identified for this purpose as part of a Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology FY09 grant.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

This purchase will be funded out of grant COPS Technology FY09 G210915 for the amount of \$53,950.00 through Fund 05443, Dept. 21150010, Acct. 508010, Class 21000.

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

Enter appropriate comments or N/A

\*\*\*\*\*REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION\*\*\*\*\*

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

  
(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)

*Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager*

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**

DATE: December 2, 2009

TO: Municipal Clerk

FROM: Terrence Freiburg, Purchasing Manager  
Purchasing Manager, ext. 4313

Deniese Baisley  
Procurement Analyst, ext. 4263

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Please place the following item on the CONSENT Agenda of **December 15, 2009**

Item should read as follows:

Request that the Purchasing Manager, Financial Services, Purchasing Division, be authorized to issue a Purchase Order to MorphoTrak, the sole source provider for MetaMorpho Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) and software components, to upgrade Police Headquarters' (AFIS) system to increase storage capacity and importing of records. Total estimated amount is \$53,950.00.

Department: Police

Total Amount: \$53,950.00

Account No: 21150010-508010-05443-G210915

Funding Sources: Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology FY09

District(s): All

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**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Municipal Clerk's Use

ITEM NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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FINANCIAL SERVICES PURCHASING

SOLE SOURCE AFFIDAVIT

THIS IS AN OFFICIAL PURCHASING DOCUMENT- RETAIN WITH PURCHASE ORDER FILE

Before me, the undersigned official, on this day, personally appeared Louise L. McGinley, a person known to me to be the person whose signature appears below, whom after being duly sworn upon his/her oath deposed and said:

1. My name is Louise L. McGinley. I am over the age of 18, have never been convicted of a crime and am competent to make this affidavit.
2. I am an authorized representative of the following company or firm: MorphoTrak
3. The above named company or firm is the sole source of the following item(s), produce(s) or service(s). Importation of approximately 62,000 existing NIST records from the State AFIS database and expanding the storage requirements in AFIS needed to accommodate these records along with an additional 100,000 new records above the current design capacity.
4. Competition in providing the above named item(s) produce(s), service(s) is precluded by the existence of a patent, copyright, secret process or monopoly as stated under Section 252.022, Subchapter A of the Local Governmental Code 7A si as provided for under 7B-F of the same section. Also, attached hereto is a sole source letter, which sets forth the reasons why this bidder is a sole source provider (dated and signed).
5. There is/are no other like item(s) or produce(s) available for purchase that would serve the same purpose or function.
6. Note: This bidder understands that by providing false information on this Sole Source Affidavit, it may be considered a non-responsible bidder on this and future solicitations and may result in discontinuation of any/all business with the City of El Paso.

Louise L. McGinley  
Signature

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me on this 27 day of October, 2009

Gina J. Boone  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
Gina J. Boone  
PRINT NAME  
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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES

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October 22, 2009

Lt. Jorge Valenzuela  
Criminalistics Supervisor  
El Paso Police Department  
911 N. Raynor  
El Paso, Texas 79909

RE: Technology Options for Automated Fingerprint Identification System

Dear Lt. Valenzuela:

This letter is to confirm that MorphoTrak, Inc. is the sole source provider of all software components specific to your MetaMorpho Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) and is pleased to provide this proposal for storage expansions and for the import into the EPPD AFIS of approximately 62,000 NIST records from the Texas state AFIS. This upgrade consists of complex hardware and software components specific to your existing AFIS system.

The MetaMorpho AFIS uses a proprietary data format, and proprietary encoding and matching algorithms to produce a high degree of accuracy that fall beyond the expertise of other software vendors. This includes the functionality to convert the NIST standard format palm print and palm print data to the Morpho proprietary data to communicate directly and seamlessly with the MetaMorpho AFIS system, which no other vendor can supply.

Further, since this is a customization to an existing subsystem and not a complete technology replacement no other manufacturer can supply the software, customization and knowledge needed to integrate into the EPPD AFIS system. This necessitates that installation, configuration and support for the system is provided by specially trained MorphoTrak Customer Service Engineers on a hardware platform certified and tested to match the primary AFIS. As such, MorphoTrak is the only vendor capable of providing maintenance services.

In view of the above, please be advised that MorphoTrak, Inc. is the sole provider for the installation and maintenance of hardware and/or software components necessary to upgrade or customize the MetaMorpho AFIS in El Paso.

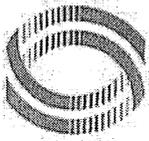
Please feel free to contact me should you have any further questions regarding this matter

Sincerely,

Louise L. McGinley  
Senior Program Manager

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October 20, 2009

El Paso Police Department  
Attn: Mr. Bruce Orndorf  
911 N. Raynor  
El Paso, TX 79903

Dear Bruce,

MorphoTrak is pleased to provide the following proposal for storage expansions and for the import into the EPPD AFIS of approximately 62,000 NIST records from the Texas state AFIS.

The utility for importing these records (developed for other data import tasks during the system upgrade) will be tested and certified to handle import of these state NIST records, and NIST records updated with correct format to allow for processing. MorphoTrak will work with EPPD to import all records in batches to allow for EPPD processing tasks (e.g., driver, QC) to be completed in conjunction with other daily operations.

This quote also encompasses the additional storage requirements needed for the import of these records. The EPPD AFIS will be expanded to accommodate an additional 100,000 records above the current design capacity.

These activities will be coordinated with other ongoing work, including the full-hand update and the Rapid implementation. By combining these projects, we are taking advantage of certain economies of combined tasks; therefore, this pricing is contingent some latitude in delivery schedule for maximum efficiency.

If you would like to proceed with making this change, please sign and return the attached proposal and return. Your signature constitutes your agency's acceptance of this change and authorizes Sagem Morpho, Inc. to perform this work and work will be scheduled upon receipt of the signed proposal.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. I can be reached in the Austin office at (877)499-8174 or by email at [Louise.McGinley@morphotrak.com](mailto:Louise.McGinley@morphotrak.com)

Sincerely,

Louise L. McGinley  
Senior Program Manager

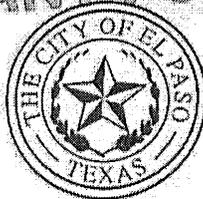
Cc: David Otto, MorphoTrak

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MAYOR

JOYCE WILSON  
City Manager

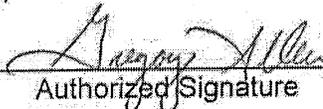
TERRY FREIBURG  
PURCHASING MANAGER



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To: Terrence Freiburg, Purchasing Manager  
DENIESE BAISLEY, PROCUREMENT ANALYST

From: Gregory Allen

  
Authorized Signature

Date: October 27, 2009

Re: Purchasing of customized software to upgrade the EPPD MetaMorpho Automated Fingerprint Identification System to increase storage capacity.

The Police Department recommends utilizing MorphoTrak, Inc. as the sole vendor to build, install and maintain this software upgrade to the existing AFIS System located at Police Headquarters. It is further recommended a purchase order in the amount of \$53,950.00 be issued to MorphoTrak, Inc. This expenditure will come from an existing COPS Technology grant. The following are the factors used to evaluate the use of this procurement program as the best approach:

1. *Is there an urgent need for the product/service? In other words, is time of the essence?*

Yes. This purchase will be coordinated with other ongoing work (full hand acquisition and Rap ID) allowing both the City and the vendor to take advantage of certain economies by combining tasks.

2. *Does the purchase through the Program promote the standardization of equipment?*

Yes. All areas of finger and palm print identification within The El Paso Police Department are either MorphoTrak products or maintained by MorphoTrak technicians. Our existing maintenance contract with MorphoTrak will absorb this increased storage.

3. *Does the purchase through the Program support local business? If not, is there a comparable product/service available locally?*

No. Since this is a customization to an existing subsystem and not a complete technology replacement no other manufacturer can supply the software, customization and knowledge needed to integrate into the EPPD AFIS system. This necessitates that installation, configuration and support for the system is provided by specially trained MorphoTrak Customer Service Engineers on a hardware platform certified and tested to match the primary AFIS. As such, MorphoTrak is the only vendor capable of providing maintenance services.

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4. *Do the available vendors have prior work experience and/or familiarity with the City?*

Yes. MorphoTrak has had a long and very successful partnership with the City of El Paso since installing the department's first AFIS System in 1991, followed by an upgrade in 1999 and the MetaMorpho AFIS System in 2007. MorphoTrak over the last 18 years has worked diligently to provide outstanding technology, service and value to the El Paso Police Department.

5. *Is the pricing reasonable as compared to other similar products/work performed for the City of El Paso in the past or as quoted from other companies?*

Yes. Even though this is a "sole source procurement", MorphoTrak has proven itself throughout the years regarding price reasonableness, including prior purchases of software, maintenance agreement purchases, and being awarded contracts after a competitive bidding. MorphoTrak's philosophy has always been one of innovation and partnership with the El Paso Police Department and has continually provided pricing and expertise toward that goal.