



Agenda Action Form Overview

The Board is requested to approve a contract with Dana Safety Supply, Inc. in the amount of \$125,775 to purchase protective vests for the Durham County Sheriff's Office.

Background/Justification

This emergency protective equipment will be provided to detention officers at the Durham County Sheriff's Office, a level of protection currently not in place. Detention officers are locating and seizing 20 homemade weapons per month, on average. Protective vests for detention officers will differ from the typical ballistic-rated vests worn by law enforcement and are designed to be stab-resistant. These vests will increase confidence and officer safety during these encounters.

This request was initially submitted during the FY24-25 Budget Process and once again in the FY25-26 Budget Process. After further review, the 2024 SCAAP Grant was identified as an alternative funding source to purchase (180) protective vests. This number of vests will cover the current workforce, including replacements. The SCAAP Grant was previously recognized by the Board and currently existing within the Sheriff's Office budget (25-0072). Dana Safety Supply, Inc. is on State Contract #680C and doesn't require a formal bid process.

Policy Impact

There is no policy impact.

Procurement Background

Procurement will occur after funding has been approved

Type of purchase

- ☒ Goods
- ☐ Services
- ☐ Construction Work

Did this request for purchase go through a bid process? Yes ☐ No ☒

Goods: Bids required if \geq \$30,000, BOCC approval if \geq \$90,000

Services: Bids required if \geq \$30,000, BOCC approval if $>$ \$40,000

Construction/Repair work: Bids required if \geq \$30,000, BOCC approval if \geq \$500,000

If yes, attach a copy of bid tab and the minority and women business enterprise (MWBE) compliance review form provided by the Purchasing Division.

If no, why?

- ☐ Sole source exemption
- ☐ Cooperative purchasing program exemption



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- ☒ State and federal contract exemption
- ☐ Contract is an amendment to an existing contract
- ☐ Other (please explain)

North Carolina General Statute 143-129(e) (9) allows local governments to be exempted from competitive bidding requirements in lieu of purchasing furnishings/equipment through NC State Contract.

If exempted from bidding, has this request been reviewed and approved by the Purchasing Division in the agenda Legistar system? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, why?

Fiscal Impact

The 2024 SCAAP Grant will be used to fund this contract. These funds were previously approved by the Board (25-0072).

Recommendation

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