

FORSYTH COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: August 25, 2014

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 5

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AWARDED CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE WITH TRADE-IN OF IN-VEHICLE ROUTERS FOR COUNTY AMBULANCES (EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT)

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

The Emergency Services Department proposes to purchase 32 new in-vehicle routers and trade in 32 old routers which will no longer be supported after January 2015 and have reached the end of their useful life for use in County ambulances. The oMG 1000 and oMG 1050 are the routers currently used in County ambulances and have proven to be compatible with the County ambulances. In-Motion Technology NC, Inc., the exclusive dealer for these routers, has submitted a quotation for 32 new oMG 2031 units at a cost of \$53,164.16. This quotation includes a discount of \$36,979.84 as the old routers will be included as a trade-in for the discounted cost.

The purchase of this equipment is exempt from North Carolina bidding requirements pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(6) because: (1) performance or price competition for this product is not available; (2) the product is available from only one source of supply; and (3) standardization and compatibility are the overriding considerations. The statute further requires the governing board of a political subdivision of the State to approve such purchases prior to the award of the contract.

It is recommended by the County Manager, the Emergency Services Director, and the Purchasing Director that a contract for the purchase of 32 new in-vehicle routers, with the trade-in of 32 old routers be awarded to In-Motion Technology NC, Inc., in the amount of \$53,164.16.

ATTACHMENTS: YES NO

SIGNATURE: *J. Kendra Altabaj*
COUNTY MANAGER

DATE: August 20, 2014

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AWARDING CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE
WITH TRADE-IN OF IN-VEHICLE ROUTERS FOR COUNTY AMBULANCES
(EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT)**

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(6) provides the bidding laws do not apply to purchases of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment when performance or price competition for a product are not available; when a needed product is available from only one source of supply; or when standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration; and

WHEREAS, Forsyth County Emergency Services Department proposes to purchase 32 new in-vehicle routers with trade-in of 32 old in-vehicle routers which will not be supported after January 2015 and have reached the end of their useful life; and

WHEREAS, In-Motion Technology NC, Inc., the exclusive dealer for the new oMG 2031 routers has submitted a quotation for the purchase of 32 new units at a discounted cost of \$53,164.16, which includes the trade-in of the old routers; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation by the County Manager, the Emergency Services Director, and the Purchasing Director that a contract for the purchase of 32 new in-vehicle routers with the trade-in of 32 old in-vehicle routers be awarded to In-Motion Technology NC, Inc., in the amount of \$53,164.16; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined sufficient funds are available to cover the cost of this purchase with trade-in.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners that the purchase made under the exception to the bidding laws contained in North Carolina General Statute 143-129(e)(6) is hereby approved and that a contract for the purchase of 32 new oMG 2031 in-vehicle routers with trade-in of 32 old routers be awarded to In-Motion Technology NC, Inc., in the amount of \$53,164.16 and that the County Manager and Clerk to the Board are hereby authorized to execute a contract with In Motion Technology NC, Inc., on behalf of Forsyth County, subject to a pre-audit certificate thereon by the Chief Financial Officer, if applicable, and approval as to form and legality by the County Attorney.

Adopted this 25th day of August 2014.