



Harris County, Texas

1001 Preston St., Suite 934
Houston, Texas 77002

Commissioners Court

Request for Court Action

File #: 23-3645

Agenda Date: 6/27/2023

Agenda #: 233.

Department: Purchasing

Department Head/Elected Official: DeWight Dopslauf

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Regular RCA

Type of Request: Contract - Amendment

Project ID (if applicable): 190031

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): Sentinel Offender Services, LLC

MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable): 0%

MWDBE Current Participation (if applicable): N/A

Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: 0% - Non-Divisible

Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request for approval of a renewal option with Sentinel Offender Services, LLC for electronic monitoring equipment and services for Harris County for the period of September 1, 2023 - August 31, 2024, at a cost of \$8,000,000 (190031), MWDBE Contracted Goal: 0% - Non-Divisible.

Background and Discussion:

For many years, Pretrial Services has provided electronic monitoring (EM) and transdermal alcohol monitoring (SCRAM) services to the courts for the management of perceived risk presented by defendants released on bond. Particularly during the COVID pandemic and the increased backlog of cases, courts increased their use of these services. In January 2019, the department's average daily population (ADP) on EM was 28 defendants. By October 2021, the EM ADP peaked at 3,974 and since that point has decreased only to 3,665 (May 2022). As well, since March 2020, the ADP of defendants using court-ordered SCRAM units provided by this vendor has continued to rise from 18 to 838 (May 2022).

Expected Impact:

Alternative Options:

N/A

Alignment with Goal(s):

- ☐ Justice and Safety
- ☐ Economic Opportunity
- ☐ Housing
- ☐ Public Health
- ☐ Transportation
- ☐ Flooding
- ☐ Environment

Presented to Commissioners Court

June 27, 2023

Approve: E/G

X Governance and Customer Service

Prior Court Action (if any):

06/30/20		Renewal 1 of 1
08/27/19		Award
08/24/21		Renewal 2 of 4
06/28/22		Renewal 3 of 4
12/15/20		Amendment 1 and Renewal 1 of 4
06/08/21		Amendment 2
04/04/23	288	Amendment 3

Location: N/A

Address (if applicable): N/A

Precinct(s): Choose an item.

Fiscal and Personnel Summary

Service Name			
	FY 23	FY 24	Next 3 FYs
Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Total Incremental Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Existing Budget			
1000 - General Fund	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Current Budget	\$	\$	\$
Additional Budget Requested			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Additional Budget Requested	\$	\$	\$
Total Funding Sources	\$	\$	\$
Personnel (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)			
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-
Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-
Total Personnel	-	-	-

Anticipated Court Date: June 27, 2023

Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date):

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

Contact(s) name, title, department: Natalie Michailides, Pre Trial-Services; Azadeh Rahmdel, Buyer,
Purchasing

Attachments (if applicable): Letter



DeWight Dopslauf, C.P.M., CPPO
Harris County Purchasing Agent

June 16, 2023

Commissioners Court
Harris County, Texas

RE: Job No. 190031

Members of Commissioners Court:

Please approve the renewal for the following:

Description: Electronic Monitoring Equipment and Services for Harris County

Vendor(s): Sentinel Offender Services, LLC

Term: 09/01/2023 - 08/31/2024

Renewal Options: 4 of 4

Amount: \$8,000,000

Bond(s): No

Reviewed By: • Harris County Purchasing • Pretrial Services

Sincerely,

DeWight Dopslauf
Purchasing Agent

AR
cc: Vendor(s)

FOR INCLUSION ON COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA JUNE 27, 2023

