

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: ShotSpotter Inc. Proposal and Agreements

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend approval of the Proposal and Software License, Annual Support and Maintenance and General Terms and Conditions Agreements with ShotSpotter Inc., for a gunshot detection system to be utilized by the Saginaw Police Department in reducing gunfire and gun violence crimes. The cost for the system will not exceed Two Hundred and Eighty Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety Dollars and 00/100 (\$280,590.00). In addition, it is recommended that a budget adjustment be completed to increase the General Fund's Federal Grants Account No. (101-0000-513.58-35) by \$280,590.00; as well as the Police Department's Technical Divisions Operating Services Account No. (101-3015-721.80-05) by the same amount.

The Proposal and Agreements have been approved by the City Manager as to substance and the City Attorney as to form.

This vendor meets all requirements of the Contract Compliance Provisions, Title 1, Chapter 14, §14.35 – 14.44, of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Justification:

On July 21, 2005, City Council approved a resolution authorizing the Saginaw Police Department ("Police Department") to apply for a federal grant to obtain funds to purchase a gunshot detection and location system. The Police Department, through the Federal Government's COPS-Othertech Fiscal Year 2008 Grant, was awarded \$280,590.00 for implementation of a Gunshot Detection and Location System. The ShotSpotter Gunshot Detection and Location System ("ShotSpotter System") is the premier tool used by public safety agencies in 29 cities nationwide to reduce gunfire and gun violence in communities.

The ShotSpotter System consistently helps produce arrests, weapons confiscations, and assists in making better prosecution cases by producing detailed forensics. The Police Department reported over 140 shootings in 2007 and is currently looking for alternatives through technology to address its current crime situation. The ShotSpotter System includes hardware, software, equipment, installation and training required to operate the system.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation from the City Manager be approved.