City Council – Action Request Form

Date: September 9, 2019

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore and Members of the City Council

Tasha Logan Ford, Assistant City Manager

From: Catrina Thompson, Chief of Police

Jerry Bates, Purchasing Director

Council Action Requested:

Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Laptop Computers

Strategic Focus Area: Service Excellence

Strategic Objective: Ensure Service Delivery Efficiency and Effectiveness

Strategic Plan Action Item: No

Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:

The City of Winston-Salem Police Department (WSPD) received quotations for the purchase of 68 Dell Latitude 5420 rugged laptop computers to replace outdated units used in patrol vehicles. Dell Computer laptops are the recommended replacement for patrol vehicles based upon standardization and compatibility to existing mounting equipment in vehicles and camera and GPS configurations.

After receiving bids, the State of North Carolina awarded term contract 204-B to Dell Marketing L.P. for laptop computers. The state contract total price for all equipment requested is \$254,256.08; however, by taking advantage of this bulk purchase, WSPD staff was able to purchase 68 Dell Latitude 5420 rugged laptop computers through the North Carolina Dell Marketing representative per quotation #3000044152314.1 at a total cost of \$119,512.04.

It is recommended that a purchase order for 68 Dell Latitude 5420 rugged laptop computers per quotation #3000044152314.1 be awarded to Dell Marketing L.P. in the total amount of \$119,512.04. This recommendation is based upon provisions of N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(6) which provides that formal bid requirements do not apply to purchases of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment when standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration."

Committee Action:			
Committee	Finance 9/9/2019	Action	Approval
For	Unanimous	Against	
Remarks:			

The purchase of these laptop computers will be financed through the North Carolina Municipal Leasing Corporation. Funding for the lease payments is available in the General Fund Fiscal Year 2019-20 budget.

MWBE comment: Dell Marketing L.P. is the sole source provider for this purchase.

Workforce Demographics: See Exhibit A.