

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Resolution authorizing execution of a two-year General Services Contract with Behavioral Interventions Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$120,000, plus all applicable taxes, with the option for two one-year renewals for monitoring services through the Bellevue Electronic Home Detention Program.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Resolution authorizes the execution of a two-year General Services Contract with Behavioral Interventions Inc. (BI) for services through the Bellevue Electronic Home Detention (EHD) Program.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 10222

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

Bellevue's Probation Division is responsible for supervising Bellevue misdemeanor referrals on pre-trial release or placed on probation by the judges of King County District Court. EHD is an alternative to confinement for defendants awaiting trial, and as part of a mandatory sentence under RCW 46.61.5055 which provides for the court to order electronic home monitoring with or without alcohol detection technology. The monitoring services determines the presence of an enrollee at a specific location using radio frequency technology and can include the ability to detect the usage of alcohol via a transdermal alcohol detection system or portable breath testing.

EHD is a court-ordered supervision program that provides an alternative to incarceration by providing structure and close supervision of participants. EHD has several benefits over incarceration; participants can engage in activities that increase their stability and are shown to reduce the likelihood of recidivism, including continuing to work, engage with family, attend religious services, complete mandatory treatment requirements, and meet with probation officers or other court personnel. If an enrollee violates the EHD program requirements, the sentencing judge is notified within one business day of the violation and the enrollee may be arrested and held in custody pending an appearance before the judge.

The City has worked with BI for monitoring services of the EHD program for over 25 years. BI offers state of the art technology which includes GPS to monitor curfews and schedules, and alcohol consumption through portable breath testing and transdermal alcohol detection through an ankle mounted bracelet.

Vendor Selection

Since 2013, Bellevue Probation has adopted King County's Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention (DJAD) EHD contracts as the size of their contract afforded a lower price for most applications as

compared to the City’s historical pricing in completing the RFP process. Recently, a national cooperative contract between the City of Mesa, AZ and BI has been identified which offers a much more cost-effective pricing structure across all applications and compares favorably to our current agreement on pricing with King County. BI has prepared the following proposed costs for the City:

Equipment	City of Bellevue Total Price per client per day (proposed)	DAJD Total Price per client per day (Current)
GPS	\$3.45	\$4.74
Radio Frequency	\$3.05	\$3.99
Remote Breath	\$4.60	\$6.65
Transdermal Alcohol Detector (cell)	\$7.40	\$8.82

The cooperative contract with the City of Mesa, AZ offers a significantly lower rental and monitoring cost than does our existing contract through DAJD. As a cooperative contract, the contract with the City of Mesa, AZ contains procurement language allowing for the associated price structure. Their selection process and the proposed agreement are consistent with the City’s contracting and purchasing policies.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

This agreement is in line with Probation’s mission of enhancing community safety.

RCW 46.61.5055 imposes mandatory electronic home monitoring after a minimum jail time is served or in lieu of minimum jail time for Driving Under the Influence (DUI) clients.

BCC 4.28 provides for the fair and equitable treatment of persons in purchasing process. Because the amount of this contract exceeds \$90,000, Council approval is required.

Fiscal Impact

This action will obligate the City to an amount up to \$60,000 annually or \$120,000 in total for a two-year General Services Agreement to support the Bellevue EHD program. Upon satisfactory performance at the end of the initial contract term, the City will have the option to renew the contract annually for a total of four years for the amount of the original contract plus inflation, not to exceed the Consumer Price Index for the most recently completed calendar year. Sufficient funds are budgeted in the 2023-2024 Parks & Community Services Operating budget for the initial two-year term of the contract. The cost of this contract is partially offset by EHD fees which are paid by defendants in this program.

If the City exercises its options to renew, the total value over two additional years is approximately \$120,000. Funding for the renewal option will be requested in the 2025-2026 budget.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing execution of a two-year General Services Contract with Behavioral Interventions Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$120,000, plus all applicable taxes, with the option for two one-year renewals for monitoring services through the Bellevue Electronic Home Detention Program.

2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

Proposed Resolution No. 10222

AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY

General Services Contract with Behavioral Interventions Inc.