

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE

ITEM 31, FILE # 041205

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File # 041205 is a resolution authorizing the purchase of equipment, material, and services for maintaining the Building Fire/Life Safety Computerized Systems.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes DPW-Facilities Development and Management Section to continue the existing five-year contract to supply fire and life safety systems.
2. The DPW-Operations, Facilities Development and Management Section has Building Fire/Life Safety Computerized Systems in the Municipal Building, City Hall, the 809 Broadway Building and several outlying buildings.
3. Building modifications, alterations and new safety needs necessitate continuing changes to the Building Fire/Life Safety Computerized Systems especially related to smoke detectors, strobe lights and alarm systems.
4. This resolution is a standard request to initiate the contract for these systems' supply, installation and maintenance.

Discussion

1. The Building Fire/Life Safety Computerized Systems assure fire safety in the municipal buildings.
2. Building modifications have created the need for changes to, and expansion of, the existing system.
3. The resolution creates spending authority for DPW-Operations, Facilities Development and Management Section to continue this project through 2005.
4. This resolution will also allow DPW-Operations, Facilities Development and Management Section to remain with a vendor (Siemens Building Technologies, Inc.) who is familiar with this city system and is able to provide compatible equipment and undivided responsibility for maintaining and servicing this equipment.

Fiscal Impact

1. Total expenditures related to this request are \$135,000.

2. \$35,000 will be charged to departmental accounts for services obtained including, replacement materials and installation expenses.
3. \$100,000 is to be charged to Capital Accounts.

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