

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Public Safety

AGENDA DATE: June 13, 2018

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All

DEPARTMENT: Fire-Rescue Department

CMO: Jon Fortune, 670-1204

MAPSCO: N/A

SUBJECT

Authorize a revision to Rule XXIV of the Civil Service Code of Rules and Regulations to allow military experience to be used in lieu of college credit for Dallas Fire-Rescue Department applicants - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

BACKGROUND

To be eligible for hire, applicants for trainee fire and rescue officer in the fire department must have at least forty-five (45) semester hours of college credit with a C average or better from an accredited college or university or must have completed at least four (4) years active duty service in the Armed Forces of the United States of America, with an honorable discharge as indicated on separation documents provided by the military, adopted by City Council on April 27, 2005, by Resolution No. 05-1333.

The proposed change to the Civil Service rule would waive the education requirements for applicants if they have completed at least 3 years, rather than 4 years, of active duty service in the Armed Forces of the United States of America, with an honorable discharge.

The Civil Service Board recommends this revision pursuant to the request of the Dallas Fire-Rescue Department.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

The Civil Service Board conducted a public hearing on this issue on January 5, 2018.

Information about this item will be provided to the Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee on June 11, 2018.

FISCAL INFORMATION

No cost consideration to the City.

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WHEREAS, on April 27, 2005, City Council authorized a revision to Rule XXIII and Rule XXIV of the Civil Service Code of Rules and Regulations to allow military experience to be used in lieu of college credit for Dallas Police Department and Dallas Fire Department applicants by Resolution No. 05-1333; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Service Board conducted a hearing on January 5, 2018 and recommended a revision of its rules affecting Dallas Fire-Rescue Department general requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Service Board recommends that this action be approved by the City Council.

Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That Subsection (1) of Section 1 A. of Rule XXIV of the Code of Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Board be amended to read:

"Rule XXIV
REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAINEE FIRE AND RESCUE OFFICER"

Section 1

- A. In addition to the general requirements of Rule VI, applicants for Trainee Fire and Rescue Officer must meet the following requirements:
- (1) Have at least forty-five (45) semester hours of college credit with a C average or better from an accredited college or university or must have completed at least ~~four (4)~~ three (3) years active duty service in the Armed Forces of the United States of America, with an honorable discharge as indicated on separation documents provided by the military. Applicants will be considered who are no more than 10 days short of the mandatory three years of active duty military service. Applicants who are more than 10 days but no more than 30 days short of the mandatory three years of active duty military service will only be considered based on approval by the Assistant Fire Chief over recruitment and training.

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Public Safety

AGENDA DATE: June 13, 2018

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All

DEPARTMENT: Office of Procurement Services
Police Department
Office of Emergency Management

CMO: Elizabeth Reich, 670-7804
Jon Fortune, 670-1204

MAPSCO: N/A

SUBJECT

Authorize a three-year master agreement for binocular night vision devices for the Dallas Police Department - Defense Solutions Group, Inc. dba DSG Arms, lowest responsible bidder of two - Not to exceed \$443,560 - Financing: General Funds (\$221,780) and U.S. Department of Homeland Security Grant Funds (\$221,780)

BACKGROUND

This action does not encumber funds; the purpose of a master agreement is to establish firm pricing for goods, for a specific term, which are ordered on an as needed basis.

This master agreement will provide for binocular night vision devices for the Dallas Police Department. The Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team currently has 12 sets of early generation green phosphor monocular night vision. This model has become obsolete in the tactical environment and new binocular night vision devices have adapted emerging technology into current systems.

This purchase will provide SWAT operators with a greater field of view and give them the ability to conduct missions while operating at night, during periods of low visibility, or in bad weather. These binocular night vision devices will be utilized during hostage rescues, barricaded persons, search warrants, high profile dignitary visits, terrorism related incidents, or any significant event requiring a tactical response in a low light environment.

During the 2017 calendar year, SWAT served 104 search and/or arrest warrants, and responded to 33 emergency calls where a tactical response was required.

BACKGROUND (continued)

As part of the solicitation process and in an effort to increase competition, the Office of Procurement Services used its procurement system to send out 2,936 email bid notifications to vendors registered under respective commodities. To further increase competition, the Office of Procurement Services uses historical solicitation information, the internet, and vendor contact information obtained from user departments to contact additional vendors by phone. Additionally, in an effort to secure more bids, the Office of Business Diversity sent notifications to 25 chambers of commerce and advocacy groups to ensure maximum vendor outreach.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

The Public Safety & Criminal Justice Committee will receive this item for consideration on June 11, 2018.

FISCAL INFORMATION

General Funds - \$221,780.00

U.S. Department of Homeland Security Grant Funds - \$221,780.00

M/WBE INFORMATION

In accordance with the City's Business Inclusion and Development Plan adopted on October 22, 2008, by Resolution No. 08-2826, as amended, the M/WBE participation on this contract is as follows:

<u>Contract Amount</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>M/WBE Goal</u>	<u>M/WBE %</u>	<u>M/WBE \$</u>
\$443,560.00	Goods	18.00%	0.00%	\$0.00

- M/WBE goal waived due to no M/WBE availability

BID INFORMATION

The Office of Procurement Services received the following bids from solicitation number BL1808. We opened them on April 20, 2018. We recommend the City Council award this master agreement in its entirety to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

*Denotes successful bidder

<u>Bidders</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
*Defense Solutions Group, Inc. dba DSG Arms	9001 South Freeway Fort Worth, TX 76140	\$443,560.00

BID INFORMATION (continued)

<u>Bidders</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
GT Distributors, Inc.	2545 Brockton Drive Suite 100 Austin, TX 78758	\$458,291.60

OWNER

Defense Solutions Group, Inc. dba DSG Arms

Russell G. Hague, President
Zachary W. Jones, Vice President

June 13, 2018

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to sign a master agreement with Defense Solutions Group, Inc. dba DSG Arms (VS0000063647), approved as to form by the City Attorney, for the purchase of binocular night vision devices for the Dallas Police Department for a term of three years, in an amount not to exceed \$443,560.

SECTION 2. That the Purchasing Agent is authorized, upon appropriate request and documented need by a user department, to issue a purchase order for binocular night vision devices for the Dallas Police Department. If a written contract is required or requested for any or all purchases of binocular night vision devices for the Dallas Police Department under the master agreement instead of individual purchase orders, the City Manager is authorized to execute the contract, approved as to form by the City Attorney.

SECTION 3. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds in an amount not to exceed \$443,560 to Defense Solutions Group, Inc. dba DSG Arms from Master Agreement No. DPD-2018-00006335.

SECTION 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.