




City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

September 7, 2010
New Business Consent

SUBJECT: CONSIDER AN AWARD OF SERVICE CONTRACT FOR SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT

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I. SUMMARY

The city utilizes SunGard Public Sector, Inc.'s software for a number of essential administrative/financial applications. Maintenance and support from SunGard Public Sector, Inc. is required in order to ensure prompt resolution of problems as they occur. Since the cost of this maintenance and support exceeds the amount that the City Manager may approve, the City Council is being asked to approve the award of service contract.

II. RECOMMENDATION

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE the proposal process as defined by Carson Municipal Code Section 2610 (a).
2. AWARD a three-year contract in an amount not-to-exceed \$238,029.29 to SunGard Public Sector Inc. for annual maintenance and support of their software products.

III. ALTERNATIVES

None.

IV. BACKGROUND

The city has been using SunGard Public Sector Inc.'s IFAS or Integrated Financial and Administrative Solution software system since 1995. A partial list of software modules used by the city includes: General Ledger, Budget, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, Purchasing, Stores Inventory, Payroll and Human Resources. The maintenance contract will provide remote assistance via telephone, fax and e-mail to correct problems; professional services and software upgrades. The above software is proprietary and is available only through SunGard Public Sector Inc.; therefore, soliciting competitive bids for maintenance of this software is impractical.

The cost of the maintenance and support for FY 2010/11 is \$74,519.22. Staff anticipates a cost increase of approximately six percent over FY 2010/11 for a total of \$78,990.37 for FY 2011/12, and seven percent increase over FY 2011/12

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