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**SUBJECT: BID NO. F2024078 - ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR TACTICAL GEAR - SHERIFF'S OFFICE - VARIOUS VENDORS - PER UNIT PRICE AND DISCOUNT FROM LIST PRICE**

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court award Bid No. F2024078, Annual Contract for Tactical Gear, for the Sheriff's Office, to the following vendors at the per unit price and discount from list price:

Primary	RG Beck AZ, Inc. d/b/a TYR Tactical, LLC	3 of 4 Sections
	Z Bar Supply Company LLC	1 of 4 Sections
Secondary	G T Distributors, Inc.	1 of 4 Sections

**BACKGROUND**

Notice of the County's intent to bid was advertised in local newspapers, as required by State statute, and posted on the Internet, the Arlington Black Chamber of Commerce, the Fort Worth Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the Fort Worth Metropolitan Black Chamber of Commerce, and the Tarrant County Asian American Chamber of Commerce. Three hundred sixty-two (362) vendors were contacted and requested to participate in this bid process. All documents pertaining to this bid were posted on the Tarrant County website and were downloaded by interested bidders. A pre-bid conference held on March 5, 2024 was attended by two (2) vendors as well as representatives from the Sheriff's Office and Purchasing. Four (4) bids and eight (8) no-bids were received.

Bids were evaluated by the Sheriff's Office and Purchasing representatives. Award recommendations are to the low bids meeting specifications. The apparent low bid received from Princip Defense LLC did not meet specified ballistics ratings for section 1 and the offered carrier did not include ballistics in the shoulder straps as required. The apparent low bid received from Princip Defense LLC did not meet specifications for section 3 because the offered shield does not meet specified ballistics rating and exceeds plate thickness as required. There are no secondary awards for sections 2 and 4 as only one (1) bid was received for those sections.

The term of the contract is twelve (12) months, effective May 16, 2024, with two (2) options for renewal periods of twelve (12) months each.

This contract is for tactical equipment including ballistics, shields, helmets with coordinating gas masks, communication headsets, night vision goggles and IR aiming lasers to be used by SWAT.

SUBMITTED BY:	Purchasing	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Niki Jones Chris Lax, CPSM, CPSD, CPCP
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Therefore, it is the joint recommendation of the Sheriff's Office and Purchasing that Bid No. F2024078, Annual Contract for Tactical Gear, be awarded to the vendors listed above at the per unit price and discount from list price.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funding in the amount of \$246,000.00 is available in account 522085 (Safety/Tactical Supplies)/10000-2024 (General Fund)/2110510000 (Patrol) and 540000(Capital Outlay)/S9500-2024 (Sheriff Federal Forfeiture (Treasury))/2110720000 (Federal Forfeitures).