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DATE: <u>02/21/2023</u>

## SUBJECT: BID NO. 2023-065 - ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR TACTICAL GEAR -SHERIFF'S OFFICE

## COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court reject all bids for Bid No. 2023-065, Annual Contract for Tactical Gear, for the Sheriff's Office, and grant permission to rebid with revised specifications.

## 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. Seventy-two (72) 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 January 13, 2023 was attended by three (3) vendors as well as representatives from the Sheriff's Office and Purchasing. Five (5) bids were received.

After review of the submitted bids by Purchasing representatives, it became evident there was a need for the specifications to be clarified and simplified because size, weight, and performance specifications were too restrictive.

Therefore, it is the joint recommendation of the Sheriff's Office and Purchasing that the Commissioners Court reject all bids received for Bid No. 2023-065, Annual Contract for Tactical Gear, and grant permission to rebid with revised specifications.

## FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

SUBMITTED BY:	Purchasing
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