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TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: James D. Hock, City Manager
SUBJECT: Authorization to Purchase Keltron Alarm Board

BACKGROUND:

The Police Department's Communication Center maintains a Keltron alarm board that monitors approximately 100 alarm systems city-wide. This monitoring includes approximately 30 City of Joliet accounts such as Union Station, City Hall, Bicentennial Park, etc. The current system is outdated and is no longer sufficient to serve the needs of the Department. The system was purchased over 20 years ago and uses technology that was developed in the 1970's. The advancing technology has made the current alarm board obsolete and, due to the advanced age, replacement parts are very difficult to find and the cost is prohibitive. Funds were previously allocated for this project in the 2016 budget but were not spent. This contract was advertised in the Joliet Herald News on November 1, 2016 and posted on the City's website.

CONCLUSION:

On November 16, 2016 at 10 a.m. three sealed bids were received and read aloud for a new Keltron alarm board based on the Police Department's specifications. The bids are as follows:

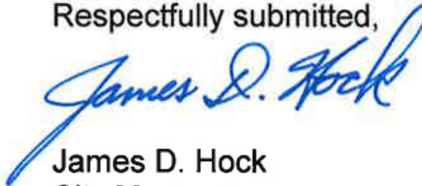
VENDOR	COST (includes one-year maintenance agreement)
Chicago Metropolitan Fire	\$87,710
Cross Point	\$91,735
Tyco	\$102,167

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the above, it is recommended that the Mayor and City Council take the following actions:

1. Reallocate the 2016 funds that were not spent and amend the 2017 Budget to provide an additional \$87,710 to the Capital Improvements Fund (Org 30060020, Object 557500).
2. Authorize the purchase of the Keltron alarm board from Chicago Metropolitan Fire Prevention in the amount of \$87,710. Sufficient funds for this purchase are available in Org Code 30060020, Obj Code 557500.

Respectfully submitted,




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CONCURRENCE:



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