



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt a resolution **authorizing** continuation of the City's computer purchasing program for desktop and notebook computers (IS)

MEETING DATE: July 2, 2003

PREPARED BY: Information Systems Manager

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt a resolution **authorizing** City departments to continue to purchase desktop and notebook computers, as **budgeted**, through fiscal year 2005, in aggregate **amounts** of \$15,000 or less. Purchases would be made from MPC Computers (Micron), **Hewlett-Packard**, or Dell Computers, under State of California contracts awarded through the Multiple Award Schedule (**CMAS**) and through the Western States Contracting Alliance (**WSCA**).

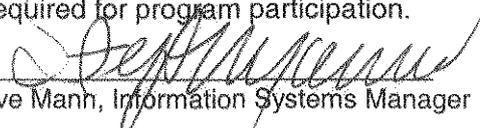
BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On September 20, 2000, the City Council adopted Resolution 2000-160 **authorizing** staff to purchase **desktop** and notebook computer\$ as **budgeted** through FY2001 in **aggregate amounts** of \$15,000 or less, using competitively-bid **agreements** with Micron or Dell under the **U S Communities Government Purchasing Alliance**.

In 2002, Dell Computers and the **Western States Contracting Alliance** entered into an agreement for purchase of computer equipment. Taking advantage of the opportunity for volume discounts, the City Council adopted Resolution 2002-33 to **participate** in the new contract and extended the \$15,000 authorization through FY2003.

Since then, Micron has changed its name to **MPC**, and **U S Communities** has begun contracting with distributors rather than directly with **manufacturers**. Consequently, the **California Multiple Award Schedule** has replaced **U S Communities** as the vehicle for **California** public agencies buying **computers** directly from MPC. Separately, **WSCA** added a contract with **Hewlett-Packard** for **PCs**, notebooks, and servers, offering substantial discounts **below distributors' prices** to participating public agencies.

Government Code §6502 allows the City to **participate** jointly with other public agencies in **programs** like those offered by **WSCA** and **CMAS**, and Lodi City Code **§3.20.070** allows alternative methods of procurement when such methods are in the best interest of the City, Since **participating** agencies enjoy volume pricing on each of the brands, and each has a record of reliability within the City, staff recommends continued participation in the alliances. Staff further recommends extending through Fiscal Year 2005 the City's computer purchasing program through which **budgeted** notebook and desktop computers may be **purchased** in aggregate amounts of \$15,000 or less, without further **competitive** bidding or Council approval. For procurements in excess of \$15,000, staff would continue to submit its **recommendations** to the City Council for review prior to purchase or solicitation of bids.

FUNDING: None required for program participation.


Steve Mann, Information Systems Manager

Prepared by Joel Harris, Purchasing Officer

APPROVED: _____


H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-112

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING CONTINUATION OF THE CITY OF
LODI'S COMPUTER PURCHASING PROGRAM FOR
DESKTOP AND NOTEBOOK COMPUTERS

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WHEREAS, on September 20, 2000, the City Council adopted Resolution 2000-160 authorizing staff to purchase desktop and notebook computers as budgeted through fiscal year 2001 in aggregate amounts of \$15,000.00 or less, using competitively-bid agreements with Micron or Dell under the US Communities Government Purchasing Alliance; and

WHEREAS, the Alliance is the primary program offered by the US Communities Purchasing and Finance Agency, a non-profit public-benefit corporation established as an "instrumentality" of government to help local agencies reduce the cost of, and to help, manage the financing of purchased goods; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, Dell Computers and the Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) entered into an agreement for purchase of computer equipment; and

WHEREAS, shortly thereafter the City Council adopted Resolution 2002-33 authorizing City participation in the new contract and extended the \$15,000.00 aggregate computer purchase authorization through fiscal year 2003; and

WHEREAS, since then, Micron has changed its name to MPC, and US Communities has begun contracting with distributors rather than directly with manufacturers. Consequently, the California Multiple Award Schedule has replaced US Communities as the vehicle for California public agencies buying computers directly from MPC. Separately, WSCA added a contract with Hewlett-Packard for PCs, notebooks, and servers, offering substantial discounts below distributors' prices to participating public agencies; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §6502 allows the City to participate jointly with other public agencies in such programs, and Lodi City Code §3.20.070 allows alternative methods of procurement when such methods are in the best interest of the City; and

WHEREAS, it is therefore recommended that the City Council authorize continuation of the City's computer purchasing program for desktop and notebook computers through fiscal year 2005, in aggregate amounts of \$15,000.00 or less, from the participating agencies, through WSCA, without further competitive bidding or Council approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby authorize continuation of the City's computer purchasing program for desktop and notebook computers through fiscal year 2005 in aggregate amounts of \$15,000.00 or less, from MPC Computers (Micron), Hewlett-Packard, or Dell Computers, under the State of California contracts awarded through CMAS and through WSCA, without further competitive bidding or Council approval.

Dated: July 2, 2003

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2003-112 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held July 2, 2003, by the following vote:

AYES COUNCIL MEMBERS – Beckman, Hansen, Howard, Land, and Mayor Hitchcock

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
City Clerk