



City Council Memorandum

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL **DATE: MAY 25, 2021**
FROM: POLICE DEPARTMENT **WARDS: ALL**
SUBJECT: SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PURE GOLD FORENSICS, INC., OF REDLANDS, CALIFORNIA FOR DNA LABORATORY ANALYSIS SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000 ANNUALLY WITH FIVE ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR OPTIONS TO EXTEND

ISSUES:

Approve the Services Agreement with Pure Gold Forensics, INC., of Redlands, California, for DNA Laboratory Analysis Services in the amount of \$60,000 annually with five additional one-year options to extend.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Approve the Services Agreement with Pure Gold Forensics, INC., of Redlands, California for DNA Laboratory Analysis Services in the amount of \$60,000 annually with five additional one-year options to extend; and
2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Services Agreement with Pure Gold Forensics, INC., of Redlands, California including making minor and non-substantive changes, and to execute the remaining optional one-year extensions in the amount of \$60,000 annually subject to the availability of funds.

BACKGROUND:

The California Department of Justice (DOJ) currently performs the majority of all police department DNA processing throughout the state. Servicing numerous law enforcement agencies and district attorney's offices has inundated the DOJ's turnaround time. Cold cases DNA results can be delayed for over a year and a half. Certified private DNA labs throughout the United States ensure a maximum thirty-day turnaround, allowing for timely resolution of investigations. To ensure effective investigations, Riverside Police Department (RPD) would like to contract with a private DNA laboratory to provide DNA processing.

DISCUSSION

Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 2063 was issued on Wednesday, December 30, 2020 for the provision of DNA Laboratory Analysis Services to the Riverside Police Department. The RFP closed on January 26, 2021 and four proposals were received. After all proposals were reviewed and scored by a panel of RPD employees, it was determined that Pure Gold Forensics, Inc. was the most overall responsive and responsible bidder and the proposal met all criteria of the RFP including the intent and the ability of Pure Gold Forensics, INC. to perform all serology and DNA Laboratory Analysis services listed in the RFP.

The Purchasing Services Manager Concurs that this purchase in in accordance with Purchasing Resolution 23256.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total fiscal impact of the action is a not to exceed amount of \$60,000 annually. Sufficient funds for the initial term of the agreement are available in account 3130000-421000 - Police - Central Investigations - Professional Services.

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availability of funds: Edward Enriquez, Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer
Approved by: Lea Deesing, Assistant City Manager
Approved as to form: Kristi J. Smith, Interim City Attorney

Attachments:

1. RFP 2063 Award Recommendation
2. Services Agreement