



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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Legislation Text

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PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Adult Probation and Juvenile Probation and Court Services Departments, Circuit Court of Cook County

Vendor: Sentinel Offender Services, LLC, Irvine, California

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to renew and increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Electronic Monitoring Services - GPS Technology

Original Contract Period: 3/1/2013 - 2/28/2016 with two (2) one (1) year renewal options

Proposed Contract Period Extension: 3/1/2016 - 2/28/2017

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$3,638,725.00

Original Approval (Board or Procurement): 2/5/2013, \$3,638,728.00

Previous Board Increase(s) or Extension(s): N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s) or Extension(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: \$1,035,000.00

Potential Fiscal Impact: FY2016: \$1,035,000.00

Accounts: 280-690 and 326-449

Contract Number(s): 11-45-048B

Concurrences:

Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

Summary: This proposed amendment exercises the first year renewal option available in the Cook County contract with Sentinel Offender Services, LLC for electronic monitoring and Global Positioning System (GPS) services for the Adult Probation Department and Juvenile Probation and Court Services Department minor and adult clients who are ordered by the court to wear electronic monitoring devices.

Sentinel provides GPS monitoring equipment and services for adult probationers and pretrial defendants in order to

comply with Public Act 95-0773, also known as the Cindy Bischof Law, which calls for the monitoring of certain domestic violence offenders through GPS technology. The law allows the court to order adults charged with certain domestic violence offenses to be monitored electronically by the Adult Probation Department Home Confinement Unit as a condition of bail or probation. Offenders are ordered to wear a GPS tracking device to help monitor compliance with orders to stay away from the complaining witness, the complaining witness's home/workplace, or any other protected address specified. There are currently more than 170 adults under GPS monitoring and 80 victims who carry GPS devices to create mobile exclusion zones. Effective on 1/1/2015, new legislation (Public Act 98-1012, 725 ILCS 5/110-5) significantly expanded the types of charges required to be considered for GPS monitoring as a condition of bail.

GPS technology is also used by the Juvenile Probation and Court Services Department to monitor high-risk minors in home confinement as an alternative to secure detention or as a condition of release into the community. These devices are deployed at various points of the judicial process from pre-adjudication through post-dispositional stages of court proceedings. There are currently more than 230 court-involved youth under GPS electronic surveillance.

The contract was awarded through the Request for Proposals (RFP) process in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Sentinel Offender Services, LLC. was awarded this contract based on established evaluation criteria.