



Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve an Increase to the Purchase Order to Carrier and Gable, Inc. for the Purchase of Traffic Signal Materials (\$250,000.00)

We request your approval to increase the purchase order to Carrier & Gable, Inc. by \$250,000.00 for the purchase of traffic signal materials.

On August 7, 2014, City Council approved R-14-1115 authorizing the purchase of traffic signal materials in the amount of \$480,000.00. The additional \$250,000.00 in purchasing authority from Carrier & Gable, is being requested to purchase equipment necessary to expand our traffic signal control system, SCOOT, in the downtown area as well as vehicle detection equipment.

SCOOT, is a sophisticated traffic control system that has the ability to continually optimize signal timing based on the information gathered by vehicle detection. The signal timing optimization helps reduce traffic delays and fuel usage.

Budget/Fiscal Impact:

As a result of Public Act 252 the City will be receiving approximately \$671,803.60 in additional road funding. A portion of this funding is planned to be used to upgrade the traffic control system. The remainder of the funding will be used in other road maintenance and mandated traffic signage changes.

Carrier & Gable, is the sole area distributor in Michigan and Indiana for the Eagle Signal Company. All of our signalized intersections utilize equipment manufactured by Eagle in order to communicate to the traffic control system. The advantages of sole source supply include reduced inventory requirements, as well as the need to train technicians in the repair of only one type of product.

Carrier and Gable, Inc. received Human Rights approval on June 2, 2014.

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Approved by: Steven D. Powers, City Administrator

Whereas, Carrier and Gable, Inc. of Farmington Hills, Michigan, is the supplier of Eagle traffic components used in maintain City of Ann Arbor traffic signals;

Whereas, SCOOT System expansion and traffic signal detection allows for the optimization of signal timing resulting in fewer traffic delays and gas consumption;

Whereas, Carrier and Gable, Inc. of Farmington Hills, Michigan has received Human Rights approval on June 3, 2014; and

Whereas, additional road funding has been made available through Public Act 252 of 2014;

RESOLVED, City Council approve an increase of the sole source purchase order to Carrier and Gable, Inc. in the amount of \$250,000.00 for a total amount of \$730,000.00; and

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator be authorized to take the necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution.