

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Riverside County Fire Department

SUBMITTAL DATE:
July 2, 2007

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE FOR A FOUR STORY EXPANDABLE DRILL TOWER

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Pursuant to applicable California Code, approve the proposed sole source purchase of a Four Story Expandable Drill Tower in the amount of \$928,964 FROM Fireblast, Inc., and;
2. Authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue a purchase order on behalf of the Riverside County Fire Department.

BACKGROUND: Riverside County Purchasing and Fleet Services Dept. issued a formal Request for Quotation (RFQ #FPARC051) seeking competitive bids from qualified companies for a Four Story Expandable Drill Tower for Fire Department training. The drill tower is a stationary, multistory, expandable modular fire training facility. The facility will be designed to accommodate training in a manner which will provide for safe realistic training scenarios. The facilities training capabilities will include, but are not limited to, interior and exterior fire attack, entilation, (both vertical and horizontal), search and rescue, direct and indirect attack, and forcible entry. The facility will provide skill-testing

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John R. Hawkins, County Fire Chief

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 928,964.95	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	FY 07/08

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Fire Mitigation Fund (30300)	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

BY:
Robert Tremaine

County Executive Office Signature

Dep't Recomm.: Consent Policy
Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: | **District:** | **Agenda Number:**

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FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL

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Purchasing:
Billy Cornett, Purchasing Manager
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capabilities that meet the minimum firefighter training requirements as addressed by NFPA 1001. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the Board of Supervisors grant the Purchasing Agent authority to execute this purchase order for Fiscal Year 2007/2008.

PRICE REASONABLENESS

In May 2007, Riverside County Purchasing and Fleet Services Dept. issued a formal bid, Request for Quotation RFQ #FPARC051 on behalf of the Riverside County Fire Department. The County sent out six (6) bids and posted the RFQ to the County web site. The County conducted a bidder's conference on June 6, 2007, which was attended by three vendors. The County received one bid response for a cost of \$928,964.95. A comprehensive survey was performed by Riverside County Purchasing and Fleet Services Dept. of the potential vendors for this project. Three vendors issued a no bid, one vendor did not have the proper resources to build the drill tower, and the last vendor indicated that their company builds permanent structures that would cost over \$1,500,000. The bid response from Fireblast, Inc. was reviewed with Riverside County Purchasing and the Riverside County Fire Department, in which they concurred that the bid response was acceptable for this project. The vendor lead time for this project is 180 days.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Riverside County Purchasing and Fleet Services Dept. concurs with this request.