## **RESOLUTION** <u>2013-52</u>

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH US MOBILE WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS, INC., DBA WIRELESS SYSTEMS FOR THE 800MHz COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$402,781.03

**WHEREAS**, the San Diego Unified Port District (District) is a public corporation created by the Legislature in 1962 pursuant to Harbors and Navigation Code Appendix I, (Port Act); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Port Commissioners (BPC) adopted BPC Policy No. 110 establishing a procedure for the administration of contracts and the purchasing of supplies, materials, and equipment and establishing a policy governing the processing and administration of contracts; and

WHEREAS, since 1993 the District has owned and operated an 800MHz radio system with transmission equipment located at a leased site in Point Loma which provided for the various law enforcement and operational field communication needs of the District including those of the Harbor Police, Maritime, General Services, Environmental, Ground Transportation and Airport Operations; and

WHEREAS, in 1995 San Diego and Imperial Counties along with twenty-five other local state and governmental agencies formed the "San Diego County – Imperial County Regional Communications System" (RCS) to provide for the common need of these agencies for an 800MHz radio communication system; and

WHEREAS, all District member cities are currently members of the RCS with the exception of San Diego which has deployed its own 800MHz system prior to the creation of the RCS; and

WHEREAS, after September 11, 2001, there was a national "push" for interoperable communications among safety agencies to increase their capabilities to effectively respond in a coordinated manner on large scale events; and

WHEREAS, currently, the District's Maritime and Harbor Police departments have two hundred and sixty-one (261) radios and the primary Harbor Police Communications Dispatch Center has four (4) safety radio consoles operating on RCS; and

**WHEREAS,** the Harbor Police Emergency Communications Center (ECC) has two (2) radio consoles that are still operating on the District's 800MHZ radio, the

District's General Services department has an inventory of one hundred and ten (110) radios operating on the District's 800MHz radio system, and the District's Environmental & Land Use Management department no longer utilizes 800MHZ radios; and

WHEREAS, the current 800MHz radio handsets used by the District's General Services department are not currently supported by RCS, requiring the District to purchase new handsets and pay the per radio RCS buy-in fee; and

**WHEREAS**, an internal evaluation has determined that the General Services department can reduce the number of radios needed to forty (40); and

WHEREAS, the public safety radio consoles utilized by the District's Harbor Police Dispatch are nearing the end of their usable service life and will need to be replaced as RCS undergoes a major infrastructure upgrade anticipated to go-live by 2017; and

**WHEREAS,** the County of San Diego has agreed to provide the District with surplus parts to aide in connecting the ECC to the RCS backbone; and

WHEREAS, forty (40) handheld radios are required to bring the District's General Services department onto RCS; and

WHEREAS, in 2011 the Department of Homeland Security awarded the District \$518,651 in funding for the "800MHz Regional Communications System Radios" and "Emergency Communications Center Equipment" grant projects under the FY2011 Port Security Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, instead of buying the additional equipment required to connect the two (2) existing ECC consoles to RCS using the parts offered by the County of San Diego, the District is proactively upgrading all six (6) of its dispatch consoles to the anticipated NextGen RCS platform allowing the District to make the best and highest use of awarded grant funds.

**NOW**, **THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, as follows:

That the Executive Director or his designated representative is hereby authorized on behalf of the San Diego Unified Port District to enter into a purchase agreement with US Mobile wireless Communications, Inc. dba Day Wireless Systems, the regional agent for Motorola Solutions, Inc. for the purchase of 800MHz communication equipment in an amount not to exceed \$402,781.03 funded by the Department of Homeland Security Port Security Grant Program FY 2011. PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 9th day of April, 2013, by the following vote:

AYES: Malcolm, Moore, Nelson, Smith, Valderrama NAYS: None. EXCUSED: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

Ann Y. Moore, Chair Board of Port Commissioners

ATTEST:

Timothy A. Deuel District Clerk

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