

5. RADIO CONSULTANT -- EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

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(Request sent to 76 vendors)

RFP #24-0077 Contract

	Code4 Communications Consulting dba RFCC	Federal Engineering, Inc.	IWA Technical Services Inc. (IWATSI)
Radio Consultant	\$50,000.00	\$115,940.00	\$75,000.00
	John Dean Hart Company, LLC dba Tusa Consulting Services II, LLC	Mission Critical Partners, LLC	Televate, LLC
Radio Consultant	\$41,600.00	\$139,309.00	\$37,923.00
	Trott Communications Group, Inc.		
Radio Consultant	\$43,720.00		
No Submission	Angel Trax	BK Technologies, Inc.	Evans Console
	Fitch & Associates	Forecast Consoles	IXP Corporation
	Kemp Wireless	Power Products	Radio Engineering Industries, Inc.
	Voice Products	Xybix Systems Inc.	

On the recommendation of Tammy Cully, on behalf on Emergency Communications, Philip Davolt moved to **accept the proposal from Trott Communications Group, Inc. at the price listed above for a period of one (1) year.** Tim Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A committee comprised of Connor Murphy and Thomas Koob - Emergency Communications; Beau Bergeron - Fleet Management; Chief Judd Brackeen - Fire District 1; Captain Aaron Moses - Wichita Police Department; and Tammy Cully - Purchasing evaluated the proposals based on the criteria set forth in the RFP. John Dean Hart Company, LLC dba Tusa Consulting Services II, LLC, Televate, LLC, and Trott Communications Group, Inc. were shortlisted. The committee unanimously agreed to accept the proposal from Trott Communications Group, Inc.

This service will provide an evaluation of the county's existing radio communication system and provide expert guidance on improvements to ensure reliable, efficient, and future-ready support for public safety and emergency response operations. This will include an inventory of the existing equipment, identify any gaps, provide a needs assessment, an evaluation of the system's current operation, management, and security. The evaluation will identify opportunities to enhance coverage, ease of use, interoperability, reliability, and will include recommendations for both maintaining the existing infrastructure and making improvements where needed.

Trott Communications Group, Inc. distinguished itself through a well-developed work plan, strong professional credentials, and extensive experience in public sector radio communications. Notably, Trott Communications Group, Inc. has successfully worked with Sedgwick County in the past and their previous performance was a positive factor in the evaluation. Their familiarity with the county's environment and systems allows for a more informed and efficient approach to project execution.

The committee is confident that Trott Communications Group, Inc. will deliver valuable insights and recommendations that will support the long-term success of the county's communications infrastructure.

Notes:

This is a proposal not a bid. There were six (6) components to this RFP.

Component	Points
A. Professional Qualifications	20
B. Past Involvement with Similar Projects	20
C. Proposed Work Plan	30
D. References	15
E. Cost	10
F. Legal Status of Consultant	5
Total Points	100

Questions and Answers

Philip Davolt: I just wanted to make sure it talks about ensure reliable, efficient, and future-ready support, with the rise of attacks on emergency communications, is that part of the scope that they will look at 1) how to prevent attacks and 2) what to do if attacked for a backup plan? Is that part of the scope?

Connor Murphy: I would have to find out and get back with you on that one. I believe so but I'm not 100% sure.

Tim Myers: So with this contract, they would be responsible for looking at all the radio communications with 911 and then does that also include the mobile units in the vehicles and the portables for the first responders?

Connor Murphy: It should be there with the radio system as a whole.

Please note: After Bid Board, Connor Murphy supplied the answer to Philip Davolt's question. He said: "I spoke with Elora Forshee and she said that it is part of what the consultant would do."