

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Sheriff Robert D. Spoden

INITIATED BY

Public Safety & Justice  
Committee

SUBMITTED BY



Captain Gary L. Groelle

DRAFTED BY

September 17, 2014

DATE DRAFTED

AWARDING PURCHASE OF DIGITAL IN-CAR VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEM

1 WHEREAS, the Rock County Sheriff's Office has used a mobile squad video recording system for the  
2 last five years; and,  
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4 WHEREAS, the Rock County Sheriff's Office current mobile squad video recording system has  
5 deteriorated to the point where our staff is dedicating excess amount of time repairing the current  
6 equipment; and,  
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8 WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office would be able to improve officer efficiency and provide a safer  
9 working environment for their deputies with the use of this In-Car Video System; and,  
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11 WHEREAS, Rock County Purchasing Department did advertise and solicit bids for the purchase of a  
12 new Digital In-Car Video Recording System (summary attached); and,  
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14 WHEREAS, the bids received were reviewed by Rock County Sheriff's Office, Information  
15 Technology, and the Rock County Purchasing Manager with the recommendation that a contract be  
16 awarded to the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidder, WatchGuard Video.  
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18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly  
19 assembled this 25 day of September, 2014 approves and authorizes the purchase of a  
20 Digital In-Car Video Recording System and that a purchase order be issued to WatchGuard Video of  
21 Allen, TX, in the amount of \$24,385.00 with an additional \$3,000.00 contingency fund for any  
22 potentially unexpected costs associated with the Digital In-Car Video Recording System installation;  
23 and,  
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that payment be made to the vendor, WatchGuard Video, upon  
26 approval from the Public Safety and Justice committee.

14-9B-120

Respectfully submitted,

**PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

Mary Beaver  
Mary Beaver, Chair

Henry Brill  
Henry Brill

Terry Fell  
Terry Fell

Brian Knudson  
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Larry Wiedenfeld  
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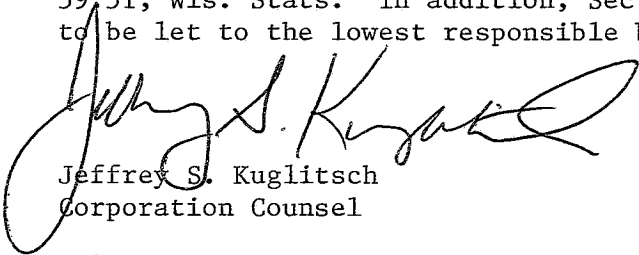
Funding is available in the 2012, 2013 and 2014 JAG grants and the 2014 Highway Safety grant for this purchase.



Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

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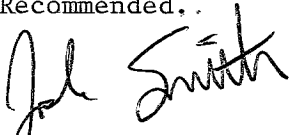
The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to Secs. 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats. In addition, Sec. 59.52(29), Wis. Stats. requires the project to be let to the lowest responsible bidder.



Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch  
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended, .



Josh Smith  
County Administrator

**AWARDING PURCHASE OF DIGITAL IN-CAR VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEM****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Rock County Sheriff's Office, in an effort to make its Sheriff's Office and patrol deputies safer and more efficient, is purchasing a Digital In-Car Video System. This system would allow video footage to be recorded from deputies' squads while they are patrolling our highways. The footage recorded by this system will often times be used in a court of law as evidence. This evidence would then support the deputies' actions and the arrests that they make. Mobile squad cameras have proven time and time again to be a very valuable piece of equipment for the Sheriff's Office and law enforcement agencies across the county. The Sheriff's Office currently has an older system with a different manufacturer that is not efficient. It repeatedly breaks down causing more work for staff to maintain and is no longer reliable.

Bids were solicited for a new digital in-car video system with five vendors responding. Three vendors submitted bids that did not meet our specifications. After review of the final two responses by Sheriff, IT and Purchasing staff, it was determined that the lowest cost, most responsive and responsible bid was submitted by WatchGuard Video of Allen, Texas.

The WatchGuard Video company employs the industry's largest engineering team and has invested about \$30 million specifically into the development of digital in-car video systems for law enforcement. They are the world's largest manufacturer of In-Car Video equipment for Law Enforcement. They supply to nearly 1/3 of all the U.S. Law Enforcement agencies. WatchGuard is designed and manufactured in the U.S.A.

Funding for the purchase of the In-Car Video System will come from several grant sources which include: \$22,386.00 from the 2012-2014 Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) and \$2,310.00 from the 2014 Wisconsin Department of Transportation Alcohol Highway Grant.

ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
FINANCE DIRECTOR

PURCHASING DIVISION



### BID SUMMARY FORM

**BID NUMBER** #2014-54  
**BID NAME** IN-CAR DIGITAL VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEM  
**BID DUE DATE** SEPTEMBER 3, 2014 – 1:30 P.M.  
**DEPARTMENT** SHERIFF'S OFFICE

	WATCH GUARD ALLEN TX	L3 MOBILE VISION BOONTON NJ	COBAN HOUSTON TX
HARDWARE	5,000.00	4,695.00	9,630.00
SOFTWARE	200.00	250.00	INCLUDED
SERVER & COMPONENTS	16,235.00	20,324.00	14,917.00
INSTALLATION	2,950.00	2,950.00	3,620.00
SHIPPING	INCLUDED	100.00	200.00
<b>TOTAL COST</b>	<b>\$ 24,385.00</b>	<b>\$ 28,319.00</b>	<b>\$ 28,367.00</b>

Invitation to Bid was advertised in the Janesville Gazette and on the Internet. One additional vendor was solicited that submitted a No Bid. Two vendors submitted bids that did not meet our specifications and were not considered.

PREPARED BY: JODI MILLIS, PURCHASING MANAGER

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION: WATCHGUARD VIDEO

Robert Apoden  
SIGNATURE

9-22-14  
DATE

GOVERNING COMMITTEE APPROVAL:

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CHAIR

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VOTE

9/22/14  
DATE