



# City Council Report

**Date:** January 12, 2009  
**To:** City Council  
**Through:** Bryan Raines, Deputy City Manager  
**From:** Edward Quedens, Business Services Director  
**Subject:** Purchase of Two (2) Explosive Device Protection Suits for the Mesa Police Department. (Fully Grant Funded State Homeland Security Grant Program) (Mesa Contract #2008206) **(Single Bid)**  
"Citywide" contract

## Purpose and Recommendation

Council is requested to approve the Purchase of Two (2) Explosive Device Protection Suits as recommended. Bid pricing was obtained and evaluated by the Police and Business Services Departments.

The Business Services Department recommends awarding the purchase to the single bidder, Mar-Vel International, Inc. at \$49,449.50, including applicable use tax.

This purchase will be made utilizing the Strengthen IED Attack, Deterrence, Prevention and Protection Grant made available through State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) funds.

## Background/Discussion

This purchase will provide bomb protection suits for the Police Department's Bomb Team, which responds to incidents dealing with suspected improvised explosive devices. The purchase of these specially designed suits will enhance officer safety and effectiveness during explosive device incidents by allowing for maximum protection against the effects of overpressure, fragmentation and impact should an explosive device detonate during an attempt to render it safe.

The name-brand specification of these search suits was chosen because of specific features, including operational flexibility, ability to interchange suit components, internal breathing capability and compatibility with bomb suits currently in service at the Police Department.

The Police Department received grant money from the State Homeland Security Grant Program, which must be used while the funding is made available or forfeited.

**Alternatives**


Council may choose not to award this purchase and new bids would be obtained; however, a delay could mean the loss of available funding for this purchase.

**Fiscal Impact**

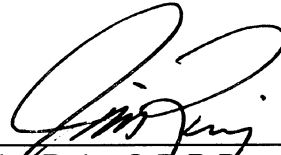
The total amount of \$49,449.50 is available through State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) funds.

**Coordinated With:**

Mesa Police Department



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**CITY OF MESA  
 AWARD RECOMMENDATION  
 BOMB SUITS  
 (REQUEST FOR BID #2008206)**

**Mar-Vel International, Inc.**  
**Pennsauken, NJ**

Description/Net Bid	Extended Bid Price
Allen Vanguard, Suite EOD 9, Olive Drab, including Helmet EOD  <div style="text-align: right;">2 / \$23,413.59 Each</div>	<div style="text-align: right;">\$46,827.18</div> <div style="text-align: right;">5.6% Use Tax    <u>\$2,622.32</u></div> <div style="text-align: right;"><b>TOTAL    \$49,449.50</b></div>

"No Bid" Response From:  
 L.N. Curtis & Sons – Phoenix, AZ