



## LOMBARD POLICE DEPARTMENT



Date: 02/07/2013

To: Chief Byrne

From: Deputy Chief Tom Wirsing

**Re: Upgrade of Booking Room and Investigations Interview Rooms Video System**

In 2004, the Lombard Police Department contracted with Closed Circuit Innovations to provide equipment and service for its Video Surveillance Systems. This system includes video and audio surveillance for booking, video and audio surveillance for three investigations interview rooms, video only for the interior of the police station, and video only for the exterior of the police station. These systems have not been upgraded since their installation. Closed Circuit Innovations also installed and maintains video surveillance for the Village Hall, Public Works, and the Lombard Train Station.

Over the past few years we have seen the need for upgrades in some of the systems and requested Closed Circuit to provide quotes for these upgrades. One area in need of upgrades is our booking room. Currently we have cameras covering four main areas of booking along with our four individual cells. Officers will on occasion for various reasons need to utilize booking for field sobriety tests. While the general area where the tests are done have some video coverage it is not adequate. Officers need the ability to see the entire area where these tests are performed without obstructions to accurately prepare their reports for court. I would propose we maintain the current cameras directed on our individual cells, however, replace the four remaining with five high definition cameras and audio. The fifth camera would be used to document the field sobriety tests. Advances in technology would allow high definition cameras to provide a clearer view of the testing area, fingerprint camera area, report writing area, and our bullpen, where the majority of our prisoners are held.

Another necessary upgrade is to the Investigations Interview Rooms. We have three interview rooms equipped with audio/video covert surveillance. In 2005 Illinois State Statutes mandated audio/video recordings of homicide investigations. Recently there has been a push to expand mandatory audio/video recordings in more serious felony cases. Technology is now available to synchronize our audio/video recordings more

effectively. Our current system does not allow for the capture of facial expressions along with body language. The upgrade would allow for a dual camera system to be used in the interview which captures picture in picture of the interviewees facial expressions synced with his voice along with an overall video of his body. This audio upgrade will allow faster more efficient transcription of interviews.

State's attorneys and defense attorneys regularly subpoena our videos of both the interview rooms and booking. It is important for the prosecution of these offenses to provide them with the best quality audio/video as possible.

I would request a waiver of the bidding process and continue with Closed Circuit Innovations for this proposal. Closed Circuit has provided excellent service for the past eight years. Their company is located close by in Naperville, IL and I have always received same day service when requested. Closed Circuit has waived its labor charge for both proposals based on our existing maintenance agreements and a strong desire to keep the Village of Lombard as a client. As I previously mentioned, Closed Circuit is the vendor for other video systems throughout the Village and would make sense to keep consistency. We currently house our exterior and other interior video systems on the same computer system in which the booking system is housed. To change the vendor for the booking system would require separate software at an additional cost. The system has proprietary software owned by Closed Circuit already installed on it. This system is currently being used for all of our archived videos.

The video system upgrades for the booking area is quoted at \$21,315.00 and the interview rooms are quoted at \$27,000.00. Funding for the booking upgrade would be taken from the DUI Reserve Fund (\$14,315) and the State Drug Fund (\$7,000). The interview rooms would be taken from the DUI Reserve Fund (\$12,000), the State Drug Fund (\$10,000), and the Federal Drug Fund (\$5,000). Neither upgrade would take money from the existing budget.

I respectfully request the Village Board of Trustees approve a waiver of bids and award the upgrades to Closed Circuit Innovation in the amount of \$48,315.00