## \*\*\* FACT SHEET \*\*\*

During the Council meeting on Monday 911 will be asking that you waive competitive bidding on some T1 phone equipment. This equipment will be paid for with some of the left over monies from the original 850,000 appropriated for the radio system. It was specified as such in an update report presented to the Mayor by Marcus Whitley. This equipment originally went to out to bid several months ago. No vendor responded to the bid. SWB lost their quote and our sales representative at Anixter moved to different department and our bid was misplaced. Motorola has already began installation of the new radio equipment and the T1 equipment is an integral part of that installation. The sooner we act on this the sooner we will be on line with the new radio system.

In you council packet you will find 2 quotes for necessary equipment for a T1 telephone circuit that will connect radio equipment located at the 911 Center to the remote antenna location at the City Landfill.

Without listing each piece of equipment separately I will summarize the differences between the two bids.

Anixter is a good company that I have done a lot of business with in the past. They are primarily a vendor for all types of computer and communication equipment. I feel confident that the equipment that they have specified will do the job. However Anixter does not provide any form of installation or service/maintenance contract.

Southwestern Bell is also a good company. I have not done any business with them in the past except for phone line service. SWB, as you probably know, are a very reputable company. I also feel that their equipment will also do the job. They offer installation and a maintenance schedule.

Information systems will install the T1 equipment if purchased form Anixter but due to our lack of experience in this area and the lack of a maintenance contract on the equipment I recommend that we go with SWB.

SWB has allowed 200.00 for miscellaneous cables and connectors and anixter has not. There may be some incidental cost of this nature when the installation actually occurs.

Please call me with your questions.