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# Memo

10-105

**To: Walt Wrede, City Manager**

**From: Robert L. Painter, Fire Chief**



**CC:**

**Date: July 21, 2010**

**Re: Recommendation for Live Fire Training System**

Walt,

It is the consensus of the members of the Selection Committee that we award the contract to build the HVFD Live-Fire Training System to Fire Training Structures, LLC of Phoenix Arizona. Of the five proposals received Fire Training Structures offers the most useful and complete system to meet the needs of our department and training requirements. The total amount of their proposal is \$195,800, FOB Homer Alaska (of the \$196,000 grant award). The Selection Committee was made up of HVFD officers, trainers and a representative of KESA. As part of the required live-fire training system proposed we will acquire almost 1,400 square feet of training area encompassing not only live, class "A" fires but search and rescue, ladder drill platforms, firefighter safety and survival training props, confined space training props and many other built-in features that encompass the entire Firefighter I and II training performance requirements. The successful vendor will also provide transportation and lodging for two HVFD representatives to travel to their factory in either South Carolina or Arizona to inspect the trailers before they are shipped to Homer. The vendor will also conduct a one-day Train-the-Trainer program here where we can bring in not only our instructors but also folks from KESA, Anchor Point, Ninilchik and Seldovia (our potential training partners).