



## City of Homer

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### Memorandum 21-017

TO: Mayor Castner and Homer City Council  
THROUGH: Rob Dumouchel, City Manager  
FROM: Dave Berry, Library Director  
DATE: January 15, 2021  
SUBJECT: Airport and Library Security Camera Upgrade

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In 2007, security camera systems were installed at the Homer Public Library and the Homer Airport. These systems are well past the end of their designed lifespan, and many of the cameras are no longer functional.

In 2018 and 2019, the City Council approved funds to replace these systems and upgrade them to meet modern standards. The project has been significantly delayed and redesigned due to requirements imposed by the federal government. The National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), passed in 2019, dictates that security equipment installed at airports must contain no Chinese-made components. This has limited the choice of available suppliers and driven up costs, as well as slowed delivery through supply chains. COVID-19 has further delayed the project, both by tying up suppliers of the equipment and by forcing City personnel to concentrate on other tasks.

In late 2020, the City advertised for bids to supply and install the equipment at both locations. The winning bid, from Sherman Technologies, was selected in January 2021. Sherman Technologies has offered to complete the full project at a total cost of \$76,100. The City will also need to pay \$3,600 for additional software licenses to support the new cameras, bringing the total cost to \$79,700. This is an increase of \$19,700 over the existing \$60,000 appropriation.

In the estimation of the City IT Manager, the bid includes a reasonable cost increase, given the two years that have elapsed since the original appropriation and the aforementioned complications in the equipment supply.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Appropriate an additional \$19,700 to cover cost increases and complete the project and follow up with a Resolution awarding the contract to Sherman Technologies to supply and install security cameras and supporting equipment at the Homer Public Library and Homer Airport.