RESOLUTION NO. R-3567

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND FINDING THAT THE PURCHASE OF HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE FOR AN AUTOMATED METER READING SYSTEM IS SUBJECT TO SPECIAL MARKET CONDITIONS AND AUTHORIZING, PURSUANT TO SECTION 3.85.040 OF THE KIRKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE, THE PURCHASE OF SUCH A SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF KIRKLAND BY DIRECT NEGOTIATION.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:

Section 1. Findings: The City of Kirkland is in need of purchasing hardware and software for an automatic meter reading system which will permit the meter reader, while at the meter site, to enter the meter reading directly into the City's utility accounting computerized records.

The Council further finds that the purchase of an automatic meter reading system, including both hardware and software compatible with the City's computerized financial management system, including utility accounting, is subject to special market conditions which do not lend themselves to the standard purchasing practices of either competitive sealed bids or request for proposals.

The Council further believes that purchase through direct negotiation with the vendor of the required hardware and software is the most efficient and cost effective method for acquisition of the automated meter reading system under existing special market conditions, and City requirements for hardware and software compatibility.

Section 2. The purchasing manager is hereby authorized to enter into direct negotiations for purchase and acquisition of required hardware and software to make up the automated meter reading system, which system shall be compatible with the existing City of Kirkland computerized financial management system, including utility accounting system.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in regular, open meeting this <u>19th</u> day of <u>December</u>, 1989.

Signed in authentication thereof this <u>19th</u> day of <u>December</u>, 1989.

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