ORDINANCE NO. 003-62

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING **PUBLIC** BIDDING DISADVANTAGEOUS AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A WEBLINK BASE STATION WITH ALL REOUIRED COMPONENTS FOR RECEIVING AND TRANSMITTING TWO-WAY TEXT MESSAGES

WHEREAS, The Communications Engineering and Maintenance Department was requested to improve RF (radio frequency) coverage which provides two-way paging from the 911 Center. This paging system provides incident reporting to employees of the Authority for safe and efficient restoration of service; and

WHEREAS, Weblink is the provider for two-way pager service for the Authority. Metrocall maintains their local two-way network which would bring their expertise to this project; in addition, they provide two-way paging devices to 189 supervisory employees of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, Based on items sited above and the necessity to assure compatibility with the existing paging system and minimize installation time of this vital system, the installer must be familiar with its operation. Therefore, the request is made that the purchase be granted to Metrocall Wireless, Inc., to insure reliable operation of the Metrocall paging system; and

WHEREAS, Section 54.3-5 of the Regulations Governing Purchase and Sales Transactions provides for the award of contracts in those situations where the Transit Board determines that competitive bidding would be disadvantageous; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. That based on the statements set forth in the preamble of this ordinance, the Transit Board hereby determines that competitive bidding for this service is disadvantageous.

SECTION 2. That the Chairman of the Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Metrocall Wireless, Inc., for the purchase and installation of a WebLink base station in the not-to-exceed amount of sixty four thousand nine hundred ninety five dollars (\$64,995.00) under Requisition C03RT1585.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

Assistant Secretary

May 7, 2003

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