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The Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers  
President, Board of Alders  
City of New Haven  
165 Church Street  
New Haven, CT 06511

Dear Alder President Walker-Myers,

I am writing to respectfully request the approval of the Honorable Board of Alders to enter into a five year renewal contract with SoundThinking, Inc. for ShotSpotter for gunfire detection system/software subscription for a coverage area of 7.06 mi<sup>2</sup>. The 5-year contract period is to be July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2031. ShotSpotter is subject to an annual 5 percent price increase per year. We were able to negotiate a \$73,040 credit each year for the first two years and subsequently, holding today's current year pricing for years 3 to 5 bringing the total 5-year contract cost is \$2,084,430. Additionally, if we need to reduce costs in year 3, they are offering us an option where they will work with the Department to identify a coverage area reduction equivalent to the waived fee.

The ShotSpotter gunfire detection system provides gunshot detection, alert, and analysis services that quickly direct officers to the location of the gunfire and provides information such as number of shots fired which aids in evidence collection. Improving response time and evidence collection helps to solve cases and deter crime overall. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please contact me at 203-562-6632 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

David Zannelli  
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