



**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Brent Walker, Parks Manager  
**Date:** August 22, 2011  
**Subject:** Contract Award for North DeKalb Cultural Arts Center Security System

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**ITEM DESCRIPTION**

Staff recommends awarding Contract 11-32 (North DeKalb Cultural Arts Center Security System) to North American Security.

**BACKGROUND**

The City is currently paying \$45,000 per year for security guard services at the North DeKalb Cultural Arts Center. Staff feels that a comparable service can be provided by installing a keycard access system and security cameras. The system will pay for itself within 15 months and provide the City a savings of \$450,000 over the next ten years. ITB 11-32 was solicited and the following were the responses:

All (n) 1 Security	\$119,994.18
Automatic Protection Services	\$88,051
ECA System Group	\$108,825.10
GC&E System Group	\$87,762.54
Larry’s Fence and Access Control	\$72,672.15
North American Security	\$52,699
Security Design & Technology	\$133,049.78

A Parks Capital Improvement Plan was submitted to Council at the June 13, 2011 Council meeting with an estimated cost of \$60,000 for a security system to be installed at the North DeKalb Cultural Art Center. The recommended vendor will be approximately \$7,000 less than the estimated cost.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Staff respectfully requests that Council: (1) award Purchasing Contract 11-32 (North DeKalb Cultural Arts Center Security System) to North American Security (2) authorize staff to provide funding for the contract.