

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of March 30, 2021

DATE: March 30, 2021

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Purchase of Two Tractor Trucks for Public Works

CAPTION:

Motion authorizing the purchase of two replacement tractor trucks from Lonestar Freightliner Group, LLC, of Waco, Texas for a total amount of \$276,430.00 that will be utilized to pull two Live Bottom trailers to haul materials to and from work sites by the Department of Public Works, with FY 2021 funding available in the Vehicle & Equipment Replacement Fund.

SUMMARY:

This motion authorizes the purchase of two Western Star tractor trucks that will pull two live bottom trailers. These two paired units will assist in transporting asphalt materials from the asphalt plant to the in-house rehabilitation projects throughout the City.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Department of Public Works has identified an operational efficiency improvement in acquiring these two additional tractor trucks. This efficiency will enhance the current five live bottom tractor truck to seven live bottom tractor trucks in the Public Works fleet. This will enhance the existing fleet by allowing for more efficient and effective transportation of asphalt products, increased hauling capacity by an estimated 46% annually from the current replacement units.

These units will serve as replacements for two – seven cubic yard dump trucks in the Public Works fleet. The current two seven cubic yard dump trucks have exceeded their expected service life span of seven years – one of the units being replaced is nine year old and the second unit is eight years old. Both units have become obsolete in the asphalt industry for street rehabilitation projects.

PROCUREMENT DETAIL:

This procurement is through the BuyBoard Cooperative. Contracts awarded through the BuyBoard Cooperative have been competitively procured in compliance with Texas Local and

State procurement requirements. The percentage of savings on the BuyBoard Cooperative is 41% (\$94,954.00 per unit) less than the per unit list price of \$233,169.00. In sum, the total savings realized by utilizing the BuyBoard Cooperative is \$189,908.00 for both units. In view of these savings, this is the best method of purchase for the City for these two tractor trucks.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative to purchasing these two tractor trucks is to rent them. However, this will not be cost effective for the long-term, and the equipment may not be available when needed if rented.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The FY 2021 fiscal impact totals \$276,430.00 for the purchase of two tractor trucks to be funded through the FY 2021 Vehicle & Equipment Replacement Fund.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund: 5111 Vehicle & Equipment Replacement Fund

Organization/Activity: 12431 Street Fund Fleet

Mission Element: 201 Manage Fleet Inventories

Project # (CIP Only): N/A

Account: 550020 Vehicles and Machinery

Amount: \$276,430.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this purchase with Lonestar Freightliner Group, LLC for two tractors trucks, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Price Sheet