

Agenda Report

June 20, 2016

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Department of Public Works

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE PURCHASE ORDER WITH EMERGENCY VEHICLE GROUP, INC. FOR PURCHASE OF ONE RESCUE AMBULANCE FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$276,323

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1. Find that this action is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3), the General Rule that CEQA only applies to projects that may have an effect on the environment;
- Authorize a purchase order contract with Emergency Vehicle Group, Inc. (EVG) for the purchase of one rescue ambulance in an amount not to exceed \$276,323. Competitive Bidding is not required pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(H) contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, materials, supplies or services; and
- 3. It is further recommended that the City Council grant the proposed contract an exemption from the Competitive Selection process pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code Section 4.08.049(B) contracts for which the City's best interests are served.

BACKGROUND:

The Pasadena Fire Department needs to replace a 2007 emergency rescue ambulance (equipment #0957) assigned to Fire Station 36. The ambulance exceeds the six-year, industry-standard lifecycle and the City's replacement criteria based on age, mileage, and maintenance costs. Replacement of this ambulance eliminates the need for ongoing repairs due to age and mileage. The replacement rescue ambulance is a fully equipped 2016 Chevrolet G-4500 Diesel Powered Road Rescue Ultra Medic Type III Ambulance that meets the Fire Department's specific needs. Upon delivery of the replacement ambulance, vehicle #0957 will be salvaged per City policy and the estimated total salvage value of \$2,000 will be returned to the Fleet Replacement Fund. A vehicle condition report is attached.

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In preparation for this purchase, the Pasadena Fire Department convened a committee to develop the bid specifications based on Department needs. This committee was comprised of a diverse selection of Departmental staff, including engineers, captains, and other experienced personnel. The committee solicited input from the entire Department to determine the capabilities and features required of the new apparatus and refined the bid specification by consulting with the personnel to be assigned to this apparatus. Based on existing City ambulances and the specific needs of the Fire Department, the Chevrolet G-4500 Diesel Powered Road Rescue Ultra Medic Type III Ambulance was found to best meet the needs of the Department.

The purchase of this ambulance will be made as part of the Houston Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Contract #AM-10-14. The HGAC is a "Government-to-Government" procurement service for states, state agencies, local governments, districts, authorities, and qualifying not-for-profit corporations. The HGAC has nationally solicited, evaluated and awarded contracts through a competitive bidding process on behalf of its members to ensure the lowest pricing available. The HGAC issued an Invitation to Bid for Ambulances, Emergency Medical Services and other special vehicles on May 9, 2014. The HGAC evaluated 25 proposals from 79 vendors and made recommendations of bid awards to the lowest responsible bidders at the HGAC Board meeting on August 19, 2014. This contract is available for use by HGAC members, which includes the City of Pasadena, through September 30, 2016. The price for this rescue ambulance is consistent with the October 1, 2014 contract price.

Purchasing the requested vehicle from EVG utilizes the HGAC contract pricing and is in the City's best interest as HGAC awards its contract through a competitive bidding process and ensures the cost competiveness of the purchase.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

This purchase is consistent with the City Council's goals to ensure public safety, increase conservation and sustainability, and maintain fiscal responsibility and stability. Additionally, this purchase complies with United Nations Urban Environmental Accords Action 14, purchase of advanced emission controls on all public fleets to reduce particulate matter and smog-forming emissions by 50 percent by the year 2012.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

This purchase complies with all South Coast Air Quality Management District rules and regulations for engine emissions and clean air standards in the South Coast Air Basin.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of this action is \$276,323. Funding will be addressed by the utilization of existing budgeted appropriations in the Public Works Department, Building Systems and Fleet Management operating budget (account 8505-50322060). It is anticipated that the entire cost will be spent during FY 2017. Indirect and support costs such as maintenance and repair are anticipated to be \$60,000 over the lifecycle of the vehicle and will be addressed annually by utilization of existing budgeted appropriations in the Fire Department's operating budget (account 8616-10131015).

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment A – Vehicle Condition Report