

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL **DATE:** December 18, 2000

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF ONE RESCUE AMBULANCE

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the Purchasing Administrator to issue a purchase order to Road Rescue, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$109,434 for the purchase of one rescue ambulance. The proposed purchase is exempt from competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter section 1002(H), contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors for labor, material, supplies or services.

It is also recommended that the City Council grant this purchase an exemption from the competitive selection process of the Affirmative Action in Contracting Ordinance pursuant to Pasadena Municipal Code (P.M.C.) 4.09.060(C) contracts for which the City's best interests are served.

BACKGROUND

The Fire Department needs to replace one of its rescue ambulances. The vehicle to be replaced is approximately nine years in age and is no longer economical to maintain. The normal replacement schedule for a rescue ambulance is five years. The vehicle replacement/condition report is attached.

On July 26, 2000, the City of Arcadia undertook a competitive bidding process for the purchase of two rescue ambulances. As a result of the bid process, the City of Arcadia awarded a contract to Road Rescue. Road Rescue has offered to extend to the City of Pasadena the same pricing for the purchase of a single ambulance that was provided to the City of Arcadia for its purchase of two units.

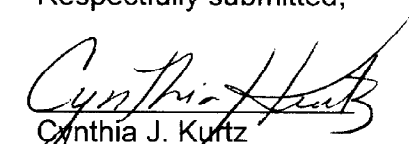
Were the City to undertake its own bid process for the purchase of a single ambulance, it would be unlikely that it would yield a price as low as that currently being offered by Road Rescue. The City last purchased ambulances in December 1998. Because Road Rescue is offering special pricing to clear out

2000 year models, the price being offered is \$6,302.06 less than vehicles purchased two years ago.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds in the amount of \$109,434 are available for use in account 8505-503-766300.


Respectfully submitted,


Cynthia J. Kurtz
City Manager

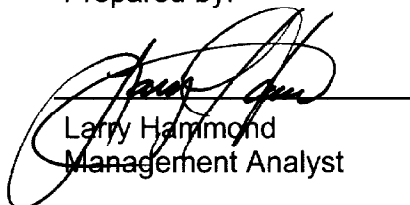
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Attachment