

Agenda Report

TO:

CITY COUNCIL

DATE:

October 4, 1999

FROM:

CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT:

PURCHASE OF ONE CALIFORNIA VEHICLE EMISSION INSPECTION

SYSTEM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$42,948.00

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the Purchasing Administrator to issue a purchase order to Snap-On Tools Company in an amount not to exceed \$42,948.00 for the purchase of one California Vehicle Emission Inspection System. The system will be used by the Public Works Department, Building Systems and Fleet Management Division. 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 contract a partial exemption (vendor outreach only) from the Affirmative Action in Contracting Ordinance pursuant to P.M.C. 4.09.060(C) contracts for which the City's best interests are served.

BACKGROUND

Building Systems and Fleet Management staff is recommending the replacement of the City's Vehicle Emission System, based on the new more stringent requirements now mandated by the State of California for smog testing vehicles.

The City of Pasadena presently is required by State Law to perform annual smog testing on all applicable vehicles in the City fleet. The State of California has modified its smog requirements to include the measurement of Nox gases in vehicle emissions. This change necessitates the purchase of the new Vehicle Emissions Inspection System.

In February 1999 the State of California, in compliance with California's Multiple Award Schedule Program, which is comparable to the City of Pasadena's Competitive Bid Process, awarded contract #4-97-51-0001A to Snap-On Tools Company. This contract is available for use by State of California agencies and any city, county, city and county, district or other local governmental body or corporation empowered to expend public funds. Purchasing the Vehicle

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Emission Inspection System under this contract will result in substantial savings due to the volume discounts offered, whereas a formal bid conducted by the City would likely result in the same equipment from the same manufacturer at a much higher cost.

FISCAL IMPACT

This equipment is a budgeted replacement and sufficient funds are available in the Equipment Replacement Fund, account #8505-101-766300

Respectfully submitted,

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