

sewer overflow (SSO). A regular maintenance program for pipe cleaning is essential to the Best Management Practices of this program. Noncompliance can result in fines up to \$25,000 per day levied by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The vehicles recommended for replacement are 1991 and 1992 sewer Jet Rodder trucks, equipment #01061 and #01114, operated by the Department of Public Works, Street Maintenance and Integrated Waste Management Division. These vehicles have exceeded their useful life. The cost of maintenance and repair, their age and obsolete technical capability render them no longer efficient or cost-effective to operate.

In January 2004, the City of Santa Monica completed a competitive bidding process for the purchase of a Jet Rodder Truck, and as a result of that bid process a contract was awarded to Municipal Maintenance Equipment. Municipal Maintenance Equipment has offered to extend this bid price to the City of Pasadena.

Purchasing the requested Jet Rodder Trucks from MME is in the City's best interest for several reasons. The Jet Rodder purchased by the City of Santa Monica is the same configuration as the vehicle the City of Pasadena proposed to purchase, and purchasing vehicles with similar configuration reduces repair cost and vehicle downtime due to parts standardization and mechanics' familiarity with the equipment. It is also important for the efficiency and effectiveness of the operators to use similar equipment as they move from vehicle to vehicle.


FISCAL IMPACT

This equipment is a budgeted replacement in the FY 2004 Budget, and funds in the amount of \$352,039 are available for use in the Equipment Replacement Fund, account #766300.

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