

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL **DATE:** MARCH 30, 1998

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) FULL-SIZE ¾ TON PICK-UP TRUCKS

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council: i) accept the bid dated March 3, 1998, submitted by Thorson Motor Center in response to specifications for the purchase of five (5) full-size ¾ ton pick-up trucks, ii) reject all other bids and iii) authorize the Purchasing Administrator to issue a purchase order contract to Thorson Motor Center, in an amount not to exceed \$112,580.

BACKGROUND

The subject vehicles are budgeted replacements of five ¾ ton pick-up trucks currently in use by the Parks and Natural Resources Division. These vehicles are used by staff performing facility and grounds maintenance of city parks. The vehicles to be replaced range from thirteen to fifteen years old and are increasingly out of service due to mechanical failure.

The lack of reliable vehicles has negatively impacted staff's ability to respond in a timely manner to citizen requests for services such as, opening and cleaning restrooms, removing litter and repairing broken irrigation systems.

On February 13, 1998, a Notice Inviting Bids was published in *The Pasadena Weekly*. In addition, specifications were sent to twenty-three businesses on the Purchasing Division's vendor list. Eight responses were received and opened in the City Clerk's office on March 3, 1998.

The Bid results are as follows:

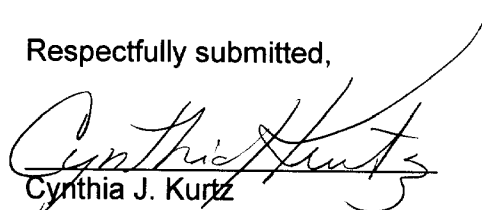
<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Thorson Motor Center	\$112,580.00
Wondries Chevrolet	\$112,883.10
George Chevrolet	\$117,992.50
Downey Ford	\$119,064.20
Don Knott Ford	\$118,837.90
Westoaks Chrysler Dodge	\$119,075.00
Robert H. Loud Ford	\$119,848.30
Del Amo Dodge	\$121,599.00

The bid submitted by Thorson Motor Center was the lowest and is responsive to the requirements of the specifications. Based on this, it is recommended that the City Council authorize the issuance of a purchase order contract to Thorson Motor Center.

FISCAL IMPACT

This equipment is a budgeted replacement and sufficient funds are available in account #503-766300.

Respectfully submitted,

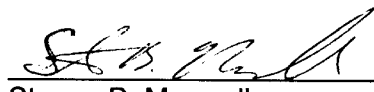


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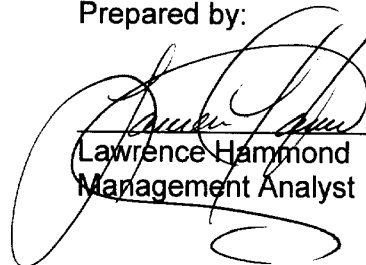


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