

Agenda Report

TO:

CITY COUNCIL

DATE:

March 29, 2004

FROM:

CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: PURCHASE ORDER WITH CARMENITA TRUCK CENTER FOR

\$416,384 FOR TWO REFUSE AUTOMATED SIDE LOADERS

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Authorize the Purchasing Administrator to issue a purchase order to Carmenita Truck Center in the amount of \$416,384 without competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter section 1002(H) (contracts with other governmental entities or their contractors) for the purchase of two Refuse Automated Side Loaders; and
- Approve a journal voucher appropriating \$416,384 to Budget Account #406-764120 Residential Solid Waste Operations for the purchase of the vehicles. The funds to cover this appropriation came from proceeds of 1999 Lease Financing for said purpose.

BACKGROUND

In November 2003, the City Council approved the 2004 Integrated Waste Management Operations plan as the future direction for the Refuse Collection Enterprise. One of the components essential to the success of this plan is having safe and reliable refuse vehicles. This vehicle purchase will replace two 1987 side loader collection vehicles that each have over 135,000 miles. These vehicles have completed their useful life and are in need of replacement. In addition to being new trucks, these vehicles are powered by Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) in compliance with the South Coast Air Quality Management District rule #1193.

The City of Burbank recently completed a competitive bidding process for the purchase of alternate fuel refuse vehicles, and as a result of that bid process, they awarded a contract to Carmenita Truck Center for twelve refuse trucks. Carmenita Truck Center has offered to extend this bid price to the City of Pasadena.

In addition, the refuse vehicles purchased by the City of Burbank are the same type of automated side loaders currently operated by Pasadena's Public Works Department. Standardizing the refuse fleet will minimize repair costs and vehicle downtime because mechanics and operators are familiar with the equipment.

It is in the best interest of the City to issue a purchase order to Carmenita Truck Center for \$416,384 for two refuse automated side loaders.

FISCAL IMPACT

The funds to cover this appropriation will come from the proceeds of the 1999 Lease Financing for said purpose. The expense for this purchase will be charged to account #406-764120, the Residential Solid Waste Operation.

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