

Council Meeting of  
June 26, 2012

Honorable Mayor and Members  
of the City Council  
City Hall  
Torrance, California

**Members of the Council:**

**SUBJECT: General Services – Authorize purchase order to furnish Peterbilt brand repair parts.**

**Expenditure Not To Exceed: \$120,000**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council authorize a sole-source purchase order with Rush Truck Center of Pico Rivera, CA, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000 to furnish Peterbilt brand repair parts for a 12-month term beginning July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

Funding

Funding is available in the FY 2012-13 Fleet Services Operating Budget (Warehouse Inventory Account).

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS**

The Fleet Services Warehouse provides repair parts for the City's Refuse Trucks, all of which are designed around Peterbilt truck chassis'. Peterbilt operates a large Peterbilt Truck dealership network, with locations throughout California. Rush Truck Center is one of those dealerships and is the authorized regional dealer for the City of Torrance. PACCAR Parts/Peterbilt Parts does not allow other dealers to sell parts into other dealers AOR (Area of Representation.) Given the City's requirement for original equipment manufacturer (OEM) parts, Rush Truck Center is a sole-source vendor.

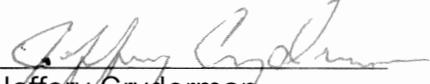
The Torrance Municipal Code, "SECTION 22.3.17. EXCEPTIONS; SOLE-SOURCE PURCHASES" states:

"a) The provisions of this Article will not apply to purchases of sole-source services or property, which purchases will be made in accordance with such procedures and regulations as will be established by the City Manager.

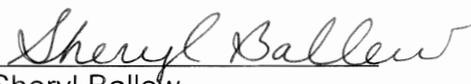
b) For purposes of this Section, "sole-source purchases" means those purchases where it would be undesirable or impossible for the City to advertise for bids for particular work or for patented items, or experimental or unique services or products, or where competitive purchases would be unavailable or would not prove advantageous for the City. No sole-source purchases may be made where to do so would show favoritism, improvidence, extravagance, fraud or corruption, or result in the waste of public funds, but may be used only to obtain the best economic result for the public."

Respectfully submitted,

SHERYL BALLEW  
GENERAL SERVICES DIRECTOR

By   
Jeffery Cryderman  
Acting Fleet Services Manager

CONCUR:

  
Sheryl Ballew  
General Services Director

  
LeRoy Jackson  
City Manager