

Council Meeting of
October 2, 2012

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

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: General Services and Transit Department – Authorize Purchase of One Model Year 2013 GMC Sierra 3500 with Pacific Truck Body

Expenditure: \$56,769.25

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the General Services and Transit Directors that City Council authorize a purchase order to Thorson Motor Center of Pasadena, CA in the amount of \$56,769.25 (including sales tax and \$750.00 discount for payment within 30 days) for the purchase of one Model Year 2013 GMC Sierra 3500 Truck with Pacific Body Model #11140940 (Ref: Bid # 2012-34)

Funding

Funding is available from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Capital funds; Grant CA-90-Y715.

BACKGROUND

The Transit Department requires a large utility vehicle for mobile bus service. This vehicle is utilized by Transit maintenance personnel who respond to Transit bus breakdown situations. The new vehicle has the capabilities of dispensing fluids in addition to on-board tire changing equipment. The new vehicle will replace vehicle #8583, a 2003 Chevrolet Silverado, which lacked the needed utility functions and was removed from service due to years of repeat electrical failures, including odometer, fuel gauge, and other primary instrument cluster displays.

ANALYSIS

Formal bids were opened on September 13, 2012. The City received 6 bids as follows:

Vendor	Truck Brand/Body Brand	Bid Amount
*Thorson Motor Center Pasadena, CA	GMC/Pacific Truck Body	\$57,519.25 \$56,769.25 (with discount for payment in 30 days)
**Reynolds Buick Inc. Covina, CA	GMC/Pacific Truck Body	\$56,817.81
***Wondries Fleet Group Alhambra, CA	Chevrolet/Pacific Truck Body	\$57,231.02
Inland Chevrolet Hemet, CA	Chevrolet/Pacific Truck Body	\$57,611.85
Penske Chevrolet of Cerritos Cerritos, CA	Chevrolet/Pacific Truck Body	\$62,352.63
Surf City Auto Group Inc. dba Huntington Beach Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram Huntington Beach, CA	Dodge Ram/Pacific	\$65,855.78

*Lowest responsible bidder (this includes a \$750.00 discount if paid in 30 days)

**Lowest responsible bidder if not paid within 30 days to take advantage of Thorson Motor Center discount

***Did not sign Bidders Affidavit

Respectfully submitted,

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General Services Director

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Fleet Services Manager

CONCUR:

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Kim Turner
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Transit Director

LeRoy J. Jackson
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City Manager's Note: The City contacted Torrance dealers and received no response.