

Council Meeting of  
June 5, 2007

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

**Members of the Council:**

**SUBJECT: General Services- Renewal of a sole-source purchasing agreement  
for Paccar/Peterbilt brand repair parts**

**Expenditure Not To Exceed: \$120,000.00**

**RECOMMENDATION**

The General Services Director recommends that the City Council authorize renewal of a sole-source purchasing agreement with Rush Truck Center of Pico Rivera, California, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.00, to furnish Paccar/Peterbilt brand repair parts on an as-needed basis for a period of one (1) year. The purchasing agreement will cover a 12 month term, beginning August 2, 2007 and ending August 1, 2008.

**Funding**

Funding is available in the Fleet Services FY 2007-2008 and FY 2008-2009 Operating Budget (Warehouse Inventory Account).

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS**

The Fleet Services Warehouse provides original equipment manufacturer (OEM) repair parts for the City's Refuse Trucks, all of which are built on Peterbilt brand truck chassis'. Paccar/Peterbilt operates a large network of Peterbilt Truck dealerships, with locations throughout the United States. Rush Truck Center is one of those authorized dealerships. The City of Torrance is located within the region covered by Rush Truck Center. Given the City's requirement for OEM parts, and per the City's Municipal Code, Rush Truck Center qualifies as 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."

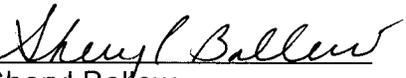
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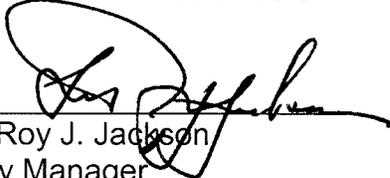
SHERYL BALLEW  
GENERAL SERVICES DIRECTOR

By 

David K. Winnett, Jr.  
Fleet Services Manager

CONCUR:

  
Sheryl Ballew  
General Services Director

  
LeRoy J. Jackson  
City Manager