

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

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: Public Works - Appropriate funds and authorize purchase order for automated curbside refuse and recycling containers. Expenditure: \$66,485.24

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

1. Appropriate \$66,485.24 from the Sanitation Enterprise Fund for the purchase of automated refuse and recycling containers; and
2. Authorize a purchase order with Toter Incorporated of Statesville, North Carolina in the amount of \$66,485.24 for the sole source purchase of 1,272 Toter automated curbside refuse and recycling containers.

Funding

Funding is available in the Sanitation Enterprise Fund.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

As part of our ongoing effort to increase recycling activity, the Sanitation Division of the Public Works Department is requesting authorization to purchase an additional 1,272 96-gallon curbside recycling containers. The larger containers will replace 64-gallon containers now in use. Staff has already distributed 400 of these larger containers and need more to meet public requests. By ordering two full truckloads of containers at once, we lower the per unit price by \$1.50 each and reduce shipping fees overall.

This is a sole source purchase, as the container is the patented design of Toter Inc. The Torrance Municipal Code, (Section 22.3.17.b), (EXCEPTIONS; SOLE-SOURCE PURCHASES) states that "sole source purchases shall mean 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."

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT J. BESTE
Public Works Director

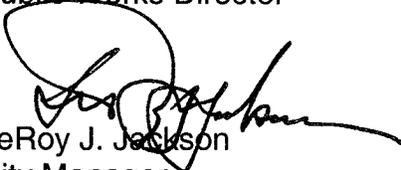


By: Matthew Knapp
Sanitation Services Manager

CONCUR:



Robert J. Beste
Public Works Director



LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager

Attachment: A) Toter Quote



QUOTATION



April 16, 2008

Alison Sherman
Waste Management Coordinator
City of Torrance, Public Works
20500 Madrona Avenue
Torrance, CA 90503

Dear Ms. Sherman:

Toter Incorporated is pleased to provide the City of Torrance the following pricing off Toter's contract through the National IPA agreement done by the City of Tucson.

DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE
96 Gallon Toter Inc. EVR Automated Model 57596 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Colors – Gray Body and Lid• Custom Hot Stamp in White on Both Sides of Cart Body• Serial Numbers Hot Stamped on Front of Body• 10" Snap-on Sunburst Wheels• 10 Year Non-Prorated Warranty	1,272 2 Truckloads of 636 each	\$46.00

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

FREIGHT: Truckload freight rate is estimated at \$1573 per truckload.

DELIVERY: To be coordinated with Toter and the City of Torrance.

This proposal is subject to Toter's Standard Terms and Conditions following. Above prices do not include state and local taxes, if applicable. Payment terms are Net 30 days after shipment pending credit approval. Delivery is subject to availability at time of order entry. Pricing is based on current resin cost and must be confirmed by Toter in writing before acceptance of order.

If you should have questions regarding Toter's products, services, or this proposal, please contact me at (800) 424-0422.

Sincerely,

Laura P. Gates
Vice President – Contract Management

cc: Rob Vezina
Sherry Kilby