

Council Meeting of
January 24, 2006

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

Members of the Council:

**SUBJECT: Recommendation for City Council Authorization of a
Purchase Order to Furnish One (1) Rotary Model
HP415MF Four Post Mobile Column Lift**

EXPENDITURE: Not to exceed \$28,000

RECOMMENDATION

The Transit Director recommends that the City Council authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Peterson Hydraulics, Inc. for the cooperative purchase of one (1) Rotary Model HP415MF Four Post Mobile Column Lift (FEAP-262) in an amount not to exceed \$28,000.

FUNDING

Funding is available in the Transit Department's federal capital grant no. CA-90-Y105-00 which was approved by Council action on August 5, 2003, and will be split between eighty percent (80%) federal funds and twenty percent (20%) Transportation Development Act (TDA) local match funds.

BACKGROUND

The industry-standard service life for a mobile lift is ten years. The Transit Department purchased its existing SEFAC mobile lift in 1980.

ANALYSIS

Peterson Hydraulics, Inc. is a General Services Agency (GSA) supplier of automotive maintenance and repair shop equipment. The GSA establishes long-term governmentwide contracts at volume discount pricing. Per the GSA, "By placing an order against a GSA Schedule contract...the ordering activity has concluded that the order represents the best value and results in the lowest overall cost alternative to meet the government's needs." Since the GSA has

already negotiated fair and reasonable pricing, advertising for bids for the mobile lift would not prove advantageous for the City.

The City may make purchases utilizing the GSA Schedule according to Torrance Municipal Code, "Section 22.3.15. Exception; Cooperative Purchases" which defines a cooperative governmental purchase as "...any combination between the City of Torrance and any other public agency or public agencies for the joint purchase of property or services."

Also, Peterson Hydraulics, Inc. has agreed to purchase the used SEFAC lift for \$1,000 which can be applied to the cost of the new lift.

Respectfully submitted,



Kim Turner
Transit Director

CONCUR:



LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager