

Council Meeting of
August 12, 2008

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

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: General Services – Authorize a sole-source purchase order for one (1) Volvo Model DD24 Roller

EXPENDITURE: \$38,157.04

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the General Services Director that the City Council authorize the issuance of a sole-source purchase order with Volvo Construction Equipment & Services of Irwindale, California, in the amount of \$38,157.04, including sales tax, to furnish one (1) Volvo DD24 roller.

Funding

Funding for this purchase is available in the Fleet Services Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Fund.

BACKGROUND

The Public Works Department requires an asphalt roller for use in a variety of routine street maintenance tasks. The below listed roller has exceeded its useful life and is in need of replacement:

Equipment #	Year	Make	Model	Hour Meter	Condition
9463	1985	Case	252	2,035	Poor

ANALYSIS

Staff is specifically requesting the Volvo DD24 roller because it is the only model currently meeting the strict air quality mandates promulgated by the California Air Resources Board and the South Coast Air Quality Management District. No other rollers are currently certified for purchase by public agencies.

This equipment is fueled by diesel and currently not available in an alternative fuel version.

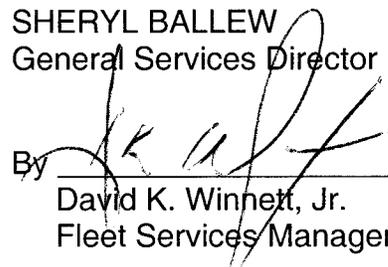
Inasmuch as Volvo Construction Equipment & Services of Irwindale, California, is the sole authorized Southern California distributor of Volvo rollers, competitive purchasing is unavailable. This purchase therefore falls within the Sole-Source Purchase Exception of TMC § 22.3.17 (b) that states:

“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.

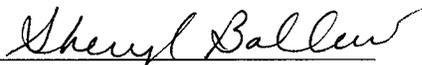
No sole-source purchases may be made where to do so would show favoritism, improvidence, extravagance, fraud or corruption, or result in the waste of public funds, but may be used only to obtain the best economic result for the public.”

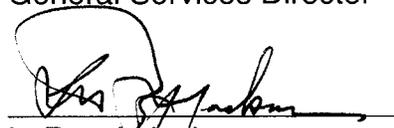
Respectfully submitted,

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General Services Director

By 
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Fleet Services Manager

CONCUR:


Sheryl Ballew
General Services Director


LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager