

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

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: General Services/Police Department – Award a purchase order for one (1) 2011 Ford F350 Super Duty 4x4 Extended Cab 4x4 Cab and Chassis with Pacific Truck Body Model # AC96-6-2 Animal Control Body. Expenditure: \$54,880.46.

Ref: Bid No. B2011-05

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the General Services Director and the Chief of Police that:

- a. The City Council award a purchase order to Fairview Ford Sales, Inc. of San Bernardino, CA in the amount of \$54,880.46 including sales tax and tire fees to furnish one (1) 2011 Ford F350 Super Duty 4x4 Extended Cab 4x4 Cab and Chassis with Pacific Truck Body Model # AC96-6-2 Animal Control Body; and
- b. Authorize transfer of \$54,880.46 from the Animal Control Vehicle Project (FEAP 752) to the Fleet Vehicle Replacement Fund.

Funding

Funding is available from the Animal Control Vehicle Project (FEAP 752).

BACKGROUND

On April 6, 2010, item 8G, your honorable body approved conversion of the Animal Control Staff Assistant to an Animal Control Officer position, along with the acquisition of one (1) additional Animal Control truck to augment the two (2) Animal Control trucks currently in the City fleet. Per that same Council approval, the amount of \$56,224 was authorized for this new Animal Control truck.

On November 2, 2010, item 8B, Council appropriated \$69,678.67 of unclaimed Police Property Room funds from the Trust and Agency Fund for the new Animal Control truck. Once funding was secured, the City's Purchasing Division released a Notice Inviting Bids for one (1) 2011 Ford F350 Super Duty 4x4 Extended Cab 4x4 Cab and Chassis with Pacific Truck Body Model # AC96-6-2 Animal Control Body or the California Truck Equipment Company (CTEC) equivalent.

ANALYSIS

Bid Number B2011-05 was opened on January 13, 2011. The City received seven (7) bids as follows:

Vendor	Brand of Animal Control Truck Body	Bid Price
Fairview Ford Sales, San Bernardino, CA *	Pacific Truck Body	\$54,880.46
Carmenita Truck Center, Santa Fe Springs, CA	Pacific Truck Body	\$55,353.61
Theodore Robbins Ford, Costa Mesa, CA	Pacific Truck Body	\$55,394.86
Wondries Fleet Group, Alhambra, CA	CTEC	\$55,567.48
Frontier Ford, Santa Clara, CA	Pacific Truck Body	\$55,871.50
Power Ford, Torrance, CA	CTEC	\$57,500.19
Watsonville Fleet Group, Watsonville, CA	CTEC	\$57,662.29

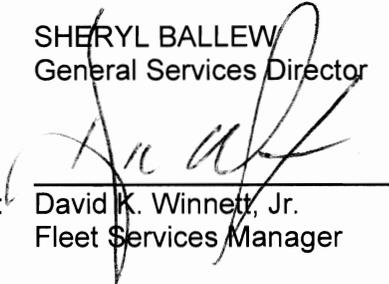
*Lowest responsible bidder

In keeping with the City's intent to "green" fleet assets when practical, staff explored the feasibility of designing this Animal Control truck around an alternative fuel platform. The unique animal collection requirements on this unit result in space limitations on the chassis or within the truck body that prevent installation of liquid propane or natural gas fuel storage cylinders. Alternative fuel is therefore determined to be impractical for this new Animal Control truck.

Following the truck purchase, there will be a remaining balance of \$14,798.21 in FEAP 752 to equip the vehicle with accessories such as a police radio and mobile data computer.

Respectfully submitted,

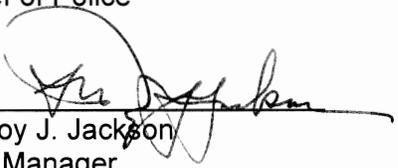
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